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TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-56579) (7-1)

DATE: 10/3/55

FROM : SA [REDACTED] (12-8)

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SUBJECT: PHIL BART  
IS-C

NY 693-S\* advised on 7/22/55, that RENA (believed to be RENA KLEIN) contacted PHIL BART and stated that she could not accept CONNIE's (believed to be CONNIE BART) invitation to dinner Sunday evening, as her husband is working at that time.

1-NY 100-50804 (RENA KLEIN) (7-1)  
1-NY 100-12959 (CONNIE BART) (12-15)

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TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-56579) (7-1)

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FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: PHIL BART  
IS-C

NY 693-S\* advised that on 6/1/55, PHIL (believed to be PHIL BART) contacted BILL (believed to be BILL ALBERTSON) at the CRC. BILL said he understood that some bail had been returned in Chicago, and that in Chicago a number of cases had been finished and that bail has been coming back to the organization there, and that he (BILL) was thinking in connection with the Puerto Rican problem. PHIL asked BILL if he was acquainted with all the details because he thought maybe WOFSY (believed to be LEON WOFSY) could see him (BILL) there and discuss it with him now. BILL said all he knows is that approximately \$20,000 was returned or is in the process of being returned. PHIL asked if he knew the cases or what it was about. BILL said some deportation cases that were finished. PHIL said he would look into it.

JJJ:DFS *dfs*

- 1 - NY (65-5604) BILL ALBERTSON (7-5)
- 1 - NY (100-54899) LEON WOFSY (12-14)

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FROM : SA [REDACTED] (12-14) b6  
b7CSUBJECT: PHIL BART  
SM-C

NY 693-S\* advised 7/7/55, that an unidentified man called PHIL (believed to be PHIL BART) regarding a meeting PHIL missed that day. The unidentified man related that PAT (male) was the only one there and would like to see PHIL that day.

PAT then told PHIL that he had wanted to see him for sometime. PHIL agreed to meet PAT that afternoon at the bus terminal at 40th Street in the waiting room. It is air-conditioned and has places to sit. PAT is not supposed to go around "your place" (believed to be CP Headquarters) and would take the eight o'clock train out. PHIL then asked PAT to tell the "other guy" he will see him tomorrow.

1-NY [REDACTED] (P&amp;C) (7-4) b7D

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-98699)(7-5)

CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT  
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NY 693-S\*, who is in a position to furnish reliable information concerning CP Headquarters, 268 7th Avenue, New York City, advised 6/29/55, that PHIL (believed to be PHIL BART) called CEIL (phonetic, believed to be CELIA LEVY) and CONNIE (believed to be CONNIE BART) at ESplanade 6-7892. PHIL stated that he can come there (CEIL's place) at 6 p.m., but would have to leave by 7 p.m. (they agreed that this should be done).

CLAUDE (believed to be CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT) then spoke to CONNIE and mentioned that he would come over to CEIL's, but would not be around long as he must leave tomorrow night. He stated that "possibly tonight" he will see her, and kiddingly said "you have to be indoctrinated you know." CONNIE indicated she would be very happy to see CLAUDE.

1-NY 100-12959(CONNIE BART) (20-11)  
①-NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) (20-11)  
1-NY 100-102410 (CELIA LEVY) (20-11)

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-19679)

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SA EUGENE F. FITZPATRICK (#19)

ISADORE WOPSY  
IS-C

On 9/22/55, ISADORE WOPSY, CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT, PHIL BART, and an unknown white female, 5'6", 140 pounds, 45 years of age, were observed by SAS EUGENE F. FITZPATRICK and ALPHONSE J. SUTKUS leaving USDC, Foley Square, at 11:25 AM and entering taxi bearing NY registration 015-382.

A hearing was held morning of 9/22/55, in USDC, relative to MAX MORRIS WEISS.

Surveillance log is being filed in WOPSY'S file.

- 1- NY 100-98699 (CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT) (#7-5)
- ①- NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) (#7-5)

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-11941) (7-5)

ANTHONY KRCHMAREK  
SM-C

NY 693-S\*, who is in a position to furnish reliable information concerning the CP Headquarters, 268 7th Avenue, New York City, advised Thursday, July 7, 1955, that a person believed to be PHIL BART called KRCHMAREK (believed to be ANTHONY KRCHMAREK) person to person to Cleveland, Ohio, phone number Potomac 1-0583. PHIL asked if "KIRCH" remembered a certain promise in connection with a "drive." KIRCH said he recalled and had it promised for that night and would send it airmail tomorrow. He said PHIL could expect it by Monday. PHIL said it was very necessary as he had spent a percentage of it.

Changing the subject, PHIL said he sent KIRCH a letter on "the proposition," and KIRCH can go ahead with it.

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(1-NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) (7-1)

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NY, NY (100-2974)

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NY, NY (100-66211) (7-5)

WARTHA, MARY  
IS-C

NY 63-14, who is in a position to furnish reliable information concerning activities at CP Headquarters, 268 Seventh Avenue, NYC, advised that on 7/22/55, WARTHA (believed to be WARTHA STONE) contacted [redacted] (believed to be [redacted]) and asked who was upstairs. She said PHIL (believed to be PHIL SART) and BLACKY (believed to be ISRAEL BLANKENSTEIN). WARTHA requested LEE to call TRACHTY (believed to be ALEXANDER TRACHTENBERG) and tell him that she could not go with him today.

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WARTHA then talked to PHIL and said that she had promised BILL (LOR), that she would join their group at one o'clock, and that they are having a get-together. It is pretty rough out there. WARTHA mentioned that there was a financial question that was deferred. PHIL said that he told "him" it was deferred because it was fundamental. PHIL told WARTHA that MAX (believed to be MAX GOLD) was supposed to be in early in the morning, but his mother had an attack and MAX was just coming in at the present time.

In the event it is necessary to disseminate this information, care should be taken to protect the informant's identity.

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- 1-New Haven (100-14795) (WARTHA STONE)
- 1-NY (100-126098) [redacted] (7-6)
- 1-NY (100-56579) (PHIL SART) (7-1)
- 1-NY (100-98943) (ISRAEL BLANKENSTEIN) (7-6)
- 1-NY (100-21421) (ALEXANDER TRACHTENBERG) (7-5)
- 1-NY (100-21259) (MAX GOLD) (12-16)
- ~~1-NY (100-66211) (7-5)~~

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CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT  
IS-C

NY 693-S\*, who is in a position to furnish reliable information concerning activities at CP Headquarters, 268 Seventh Avenue, NYC, advised that on 9/16/55, [redacted] contacted PHIL BART and CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT. PHIL said that he wanted [redacted] to come to New York on Sunday to prepare a pamphlet on the "Till" cases. CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT thought the idea was weak, so the whole deal was called off.

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1-Chicago 100- [redacted]  
1-NY 100-80640 (CPUSA Negro question) (12-14)  
1-NY 106-56579 (PHIL BART) (7-1)

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CPUSA, HEADQUARTERS

NY 1475-S\* advised that on 8/16/55 GEORGE WATT called to PHIL BART asking him, "Is it cold up there? I thought it would be hot up there." (Believed to refer to the top floor of the building occupied by the CP). WATT also asked whether JEAN was up there and whether this was something new. BART replied that they were fixing it up with three rooms up there and that a telephone is going in on Thursday. BART also indicated that he and WATT would be located up there.

2 - NY (100-56579) PHIL BART (19)  
1 - NY (100-68934) JEAN SMITH (20-11)  
1 - NY (100-18673) GEORGE WATT (19)

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Office Memorandum **TRANSMIT TO New York OFFICE** UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (100-3284)

DATE: 9/27/55

FROM : SAC, New York (100-56579)

SUBJECT: PHILIP BART, was.  
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SMITH ACT OF 1940

Corrected Security Index cards attached. Substitute for cards in file and destroy old cards. Place photograph and description on reverse side of geographical card.

It is recommended that a Security Index Card be prepared on the above-captioned individual.

The Security Index Card on the captioned individual should be changed as follows: (Specify change only)

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

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NATIVE BORN \_\_\_\_\_ NATURALIZED \_\_\_\_\_ ALIEN \_\_\_\_\_

COMMUNIST \_\_\_\_\_ SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY \_\_\_\_\_ INDEPENDENT SOCIALIST LEAGUE \_\_\_\_\_

MISCELLANEOUS (Specify) \_\_\_\_\_

TAB FOR DETCOM \_\_\_\_\_ TAB FOR COMSAB \_\_\_\_\_ RACE \_\_\_\_\_ SEX \_\_\_\_\_

DATE OF BIRTH \_\_\_\_\_ PLACE OF BIRTH \_\_\_\_\_

BUSINESS ADDRESS (Show name of employing concern and address) \_\_\_\_\_

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INTERESTED AGENCIES \_\_\_\_\_

RESIDENCE ADDRESS Apt. 4G, 2415 Newkirk Avenue, Bklyn., NY

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SAC, LOS ANGELES

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-103273) (20-10)

ROSE WEINSTOCK  
IS-C

NY 1475-Sa, who is in a position to furnish reliable information concerning national Headquarters, CPUSA, 263 7th Avenue, New York City, advised that on 8/16/55, PHIL BART greeted an unknown female in CP Headquarters who stated she was going to California on Tuesday, and would stay there over two weeks. She mentioned there was a National Hungarian Conference there. It is noted GEORGE WATT was present during this conversation and showed interest in the trip of this unknown (believed to be ROSE WEINSTOCK). It is noted that MARTHA STONE was also present and during this conversation called [redacted] asking her to write a letter to DOROTHY HEALY in Los Angeles. MARTHA dictated a letter as follows:

"Hello, how are you? I am introducing a friend, ROSE WEINSTOCK, the wife of LOUIS WEINSTOCK, the Smith Act victim who is visiting in your city. Whatever assistance you can be to her will be very much appreciated by us, and maybe let's use this occasion to hear from you. I would love to get a letter and I'll reply." MARTHA STONE further asked [redacted] to make it a very nice personal note and that she (believed to be DOROTHY HEALY) and the kids were fine. MARTHA then made the comment, "When ROSE comes back I would love to get a letter from her (believed to be DOROTHY HEALY) and the chance to pick up where we left off in 1950-1951."

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1 - Los Angeles ( DOROTHY HEALY  
1 - New Haven (100-14795) MARTHA STONE  
1 - Newark (100-2974) MARTHA STONE  
1 - NY (100-56579) PHIL BART (19)  
1 - NY (100-126098) [redacted]  
1 - NY (100-66211) MARTHA STONE (7-5)  
1 - NY (100-18673) GEORGE WATT (19)

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-19249)

10/10/55

SA JAMES J. KEARNEY

JACK KLING, was  
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The following is a resume of contacts of the subject established by fisurs conducted by Agents of the New York Office from 7/28/55 to 9/27/55. Logs for fisurs are maintained in Sub file A.

- 7/28/55 On 6/20/55, NY 1211-S furnished information, of a meeting of underground figures, in the possession of MARVIN STERNBACH, which was scheduled for 7/28/55, at 149 and 3rd Avenue, Bronx, New York. Subject showed at this vicinity at 6:40 P.M. He entered a parked car which previous information disclosed belongs to MARVIN STERNBACH. He took luggage from this car and at 7:30 P.M. was approached by STERNBACH and MARTIN SNITKOFF. They entered SNITKOFF'S car, 1953 green Ford, 721085, two-door sedan. They dropped subject at Hotel Martinique, 32nd and Broadway at 8:30 P.M.
- 7/29/55 Subject seen in vicinity of Hotel Martinique. It was determined he was registered there as P. GOLD.
- 7/30/55 Subject seen in vicinity of Hotel Martinique.
- 7/31/55 Subject observed at Hotel Martinique.
- 8/1,2,3/55 Subject observed at Hotel Martinique.
- 8/4/55 Subject left Hotel Martinique at 8:15 A.M. and after considerable dry cleaning met IRVING HERMAN at Fulton

- 1-NY (100-96985) (CPUSA-Underground)
- 1-NY (100-123217) (MARVIN STERNBACH)
- 1-NY (100-110866) (MARTIN SNITKOFF)
- 1-NY (100-82430) (IRVING HERMAN)
- 1-NY (100-87561) (ESTHER EISENSCHER)
- 1-NY (100-99383) (GERALD I. SHAPIRO)
- 1-NY (100-9573) (NED SPARKS)
- 1-NY (100-20669) (JIM WEST)
- 1-NY (100-28609) (HAL SIMON)
- 1-NY (100-18673) (GEORGE WATT)
- 1-NY (100-56579) (PHIL BART)
- 1-NY (100-19679) (ISADORE WOTSY)

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and Crescent Street, Queens, New York, at 11:00 A.M. They stayed together until 2:35 P.M. When they separated, fisur on subject was discontinued.

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KLING left hotel at 8:40 A.M. After dry cleaning, he met HERMAN at Fordham Road and Valentine Road, Bronx, New York, at 12:00 noon. They proceeded to Greyhound Bus Terminal and left on bus for Asbury Park, New Jersey, where they checked in at Vito's Hotel, Asbury Park, N.J.

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Subject came in from Asbury Park, N.J., via Greyhound bus at 9:10 A.M. He met ESTHER EIBENSCHER at 243rd and Broadway, at 11:10 A.M. They separated at 1:00 P.M. At 3:10 P.M. KLING entered office of Dr. G.I. SHAPIRO, 35 East 36th Street, New York City. He left office at 4:10 P.M. and then met NED SPARKS at 6:10 P.M. at New York Avenue and Powell Street, Brooklyn, New York. Fisur discontinued at 6:40 P.M.

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Subject entered 2933 Grand Concourse, Bronx, New York, at 6:55 P.M. At 7:30 P.M. LILI SOLOMON entered, at 11:10 P.M. LILI left. At 11:20 P.M. KLING departed and entered Penn Terminal Hotel, 215 West 34th Street, New York City.

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KLING left Penn Terminal Hotel at 9:20 A.M. No pertinent happenings until 6:59 P.M., when he met JAMES WEST at 79th Street and 2nd Avenue, New York City. They separated at 10:70 P.M. and KLING returned to hotel.

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Subject left hotel at 8:30 P.M. He entered Dr. SHAPIRO'S office, 37 East 36th Street, at 8:58 A.M. and left 9:30 A.M. He boarded Asbury Park bus at Greyhound Bus Depot at 10:03 A.M. He arrived Asbury Park, N.J. at 11:30 A.M. and entered the Hotel Vito, Asbury Park, New Jersey.

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KLING met HAL SIMON at East 1st Street and N 3rd Ave.,

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Mount Vernon, New York, at 1:30 P.M. At 3:55 P.M. they separated. At 8:00 P.M. KLING boarded a bus for Asbury Park, New Jersey.

8/25/55 KLING arrived by bus from Caldwell, N.J., at 11:00 A.M. at NYC Port Authority bus terminal. He entered the building at 57 West 57th Street, NYC, at 11:55 A.M. He departed building at 12:05 P.M. At 1:00 P.M. he met NED SPARK at Sutphin Avenue and Hillside Avenue, Queens, New York, at 2:45 P.M. they separated and fisur on KLING was discontinued.

8/30/55 KLING entered CPHQ at 10:28 A.M. He left CPHQ at 11:45 A.M. with GEORGE WATT and NED SPARK and returned at 12:15 P.M.

9/20/55 Subject left CPHQ at 9:53 A.M. (log for this activity maintained in NY file 100-4931-Sub 0)

9/26/55 Subject and PHIL BART left CPHQ at 6:15 P.M. and went to Rosoffs Restaurant on West 43rd Street, New York City. Left restaurant at 7:20 P.M. with unidentified man and entered a late model Ford sedan Jersey license J-K 24.

9/27/55 Subject left CPHQ at 2:45 P.M. with LEON WOPSY. They returned at 3:30 P.M. Subject left at 4:00 P.M. and proceeded to 83 Division Street, Brooklyn, New York.

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-6811) (#12-14) DATE: 10/10/55

FROM : SA JAMES E. REILLY

SUBJECT: KATHY FLYNN  
SM-C

NY 1475-S\* advised that on 6/1/55, KATHY FLYNN was in conversation with PHIL BART at CP National Headquarters. She spoke about a letter the Party intended to have prepared regarding her sister, ELIZABETH FLYNN, who was incarcerated at Alderson, a West Va. prison. KATHY complained to PHIL regarding the content of the letter and pointed out that ELIZABETH did not go to Alderson on January 11th, but was picked up on January 11th. She pointed out that she signed the visitor's book at the Women's House of Detention on January 24th, and that ELIZABETH did not get to Alderson until Jan. 25th. She mentioned another point which concerned ELIZABETH's membership in the Party. She stated that ELIZABETH did not join the CP in 1936, but rather she joined the Party in 1937, and that that was part of her sworn testimony at the Federal Court House. KATHY then brought up ELIZABETH's alleged using of a cane. She stated that she never saw ELIZABETH with a cane while in prison, and she had been down to see her on March 8th, April 31st, and May 1st. She added that ELIZABETH did not tell her then or in a letter that she ever used a cane.

KATHY then brought up the matter of who ELIZABETH's attorney is or should be. She commented that she contacted BILL (believed to be BILL ALBERTSON) and he told her that JOHN ABT was not ELIZABETH's lawyer. KATHY disagreed with him and stated that JOHN ABT was her lawyer on the McCarran Act and on her book and certain other matters.

1 - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) (#19)

1 - NY 100-1696 (ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN) (#7-5)

1 - NY 65-5604 (BILL ALBERTSON) (#7-5)

1 - NY 100-54965 (JOHN ABT) (#12-15)

1 - NY 100-47572 (HARRY SACHER) (#20-9)

1 - NY 100-41932 (MARION BACHRACH) (#7-5)

1 - NY 100-9137 (MURIEL SYMINGTON) (#20-11)

1 - NY 100-24448 (LIL GATES) (#20-11)

1 - NY 100-102359 (BLANCHE FREEDMAN) (#12-16)

1 - NY 100-18676 (CLAUDIA JONES) (#7-5)

1 - NY 100-80675 (CRC) (#7-2)

1 - NY 100-106912 (FAMILIES' COMMITTEE OF THE SMITH ACT VICTIMS) (#7-2)

1 - NY 100-8424 (ROGER BALDWIN) (#12-14)

1 - NY 100-13470 (GRANCE HUTCHINS) (#20-9)

1 - NY 100-49144 (REGINA FRANKFELD) (#7-5)

1 - NY 100-8529 (MARY KAUFMAN) (#12-15)

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1 - NY 100- (FNU RUMFORD) (#7-6) b7C

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BILL said that he looked it up and that the last lawyer on the case was her lawyer and also was the lawyer who discussed it with the Supreme Court and that man was HARRY (believed to be HARRY SACHER). She added that BILL told her that JOHN AET could not go down to see her and she commented that he could go down to see her, ELIZABETH, and in fact had done so.

KATHY then remarked that ELIZABETH's correspondence had upset her in the beginning but it was better now. KATHY spoke of a woman who wanted to drive her down to see ELIZABETH, but she did not want her to go with her. She commented that this woman asked her personal questions which she did not like for example, she asked her how long a time it was between ELIZABETH's separation from TRESCA (believed to be CARLO TRESCA) and TRESCA's being shot down on the street. KATHY said that she had told the woman that it was 18 years. She also added that the woman asked her how long after her marriage her daughter was born. KATHY said that she told her that it was six years. She added that the woman also asked her if TRESCA had a son and that she had replied that he did not. KATHY said that she lied to the woman because TRESCA did have a son who was in town at the present time. She added that he was her younger sister's son. KATHY stated that that was family affair.

KATHY then commented that she gets her living expenses "here" and her pension pays her rent. In commenting on the three forgoing discrepancies in the letter KATHY told PHIL that she talked to MARION (believed to be MARION BACHRACH) and MARION told her that she got the information to be in the letter from BILL ALBERTSON. KATHY said she demanded to know where she got it and thought that MURIEL (possibly MURIEL SYMINGTON) had information from her letters. KATHY said she called up LIL (believed to be LIL GATES) and also demanded to know where he had gotten his information. LIL said that BLANCHE FREEDMAN had told him. According to KATHY, CLAUDIA (believed to be CLAUDIA JONES) had told BLANCHE that ELIZABETH had to use a cane, and she in turn told BILL ALBERTSON who told MARION and then they put it in the letter. KATHY told PHIL that she would not sign the letter.

They then discussed the possible commutation of ELIZABETH's sentence and added that this should be discussed with ELIZABETH. They proposed that they get a lawyer down to see her and KATHY commented that ELIZABETH had told her that she did not want the Families' Commission (believed to refer to the Families' Committee of the Smith Act Victims) to go to any trouble about this at all. She said that ELIZABETH had told her that she wanted nothing taken up with the CRC whatsoever. KATHY said that MARION advised her not to tell ELIZABETH about her and not to worry. KATHY said she agreed with



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this as there was reason behind it.

KATHY then said she asked him (believed to refer to ALBERTSON) where he got the idea that BALDWIN was no good. She remarked that they knew ROGER BALDWIN after WW I when he was over in Europe. She continued by saying "so he writes a letter to Grace Hutchins, and sends me a copy of it, that he didn't think the time was now." KATHY and PHIL then discussed what she should do about the letter and the problem of dealing with ELIZABETH and the CRC concerning the letter. KATHY said that REGINA FRANKFELD had asked SYMINGTON if she could write a two page letter to ELIZABETH and have SYMINGTON sign it. KATHY remarked that it was a good thing she had found-out about this because she does not write a good letter and if she did write it it would be all over town because she (presumably REGINA FRANKFELD) talks. KATHY next stated that NORMAN THOMAS was willing to do something about ELIZABETH's getting out of prison. She said that he despised Communists and all their doings but was interested in ELIZABETH personally. KATHY commented that he had said that he was willing to write to the President.

KATHY then spoke of a questionnaire which she had received from the prison regarding ELIZABETH and told PHIL that she had not intention of ever filling it out. She said that it was a matter for a lawyer. She added that she called up MARY (believed to be MARY KAUFMAN) regarding the questionnaire and she had advised her to see [redacted] KATHY asked PHIL what [redacted] could tell her to do about a questionnaire that asked whether a member of the National Committee was an alcoholic or a narcotic. KATHY said that that was a matter for a doctor to decide. b6 b7c

Returning to the subject of ELIZABETH and TRESKA, KATHY said that ELIZABETH had lived with TRESKA for 13 years and that she was separated from her husband in 1909.

KATHY then said that she had met RUMFORD (phonetic) and told him that she wanted a lawyer for ELIZABETH's case and refused to take anything else. She next commented that her nephew and his wife had come to town and were going to live here.

KATHY then discussed ELIZABETH's health and said she lost 12 lbs. and that her blood pressure was high, but not too high. She added that the doctor had told ELIZABETH that as her weight went down her arthritis would get better. KATHY described herself as weighting 211 lbs. and being scarsely 5'. She added that her blood pressure was "out of this world."



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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, New York (100-56579) DATE: 10/11/55

FROM : SA MAURICE T. BOWMAN

SUBJECT: PHIL BART  
SM-C

On 9/30/55 the following activity of subject was noted during a fisur of 268 Seventh Ave., NYC, the address of CP, USA Headquarters and the NY State CP Headquarters, by SA MAURICE T. BOWMAN and SA Frank McLaughlin

Entering: \_\_\_\_\_ A.M. Leaving: 11:09 A.M.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ P.M. 3:47 P.M.

A log covering the above surveillance is being maintained in NY file 100-4931-sub O.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, New York 100-56579

DATE: ~~10/11/55~~ 10/11/55

FROM: SA Maurice J. Bowman

SUBJECT: PHIL BART  
SM-C

On 9/29/55 subject was observed ~~leaving~~-entering  
268 7th Ave., NYC, the address of CP, USA Headquarters and the  
NY State CP Headquarters, at 9:50 a.m. by SA Maurice J. Bowman  
p.m. SA Thomas Nolan

A log covering the above surveillance is being maintained  
in NY file 100-4931-Sub O.

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TO : SAC, New York 100-56579 DATE: 10/11/55  
FROM : SA MAURICE T. BOWMAN  
SUBJECT: PHIL BART  
SM-C

On 9/23/55 the following activity of subject was noted during a fisur of 268 Seventh Ave., NYC, the address of CP, USA Headquarters and the NY State CP Headquarters, by SA MAURICE T. BOWMAN and SA Edward J. Gallagher

Entering: 9:55 A.M. Leaving: \_\_\_\_\_ A.M.  
2:00 P.M. 1:18 P.M.

A log covering the above surveillance is being maintained in NY file 100-4931-sub O.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, New York (100-56579) DATE: 10/11/55  
FROM : SA MAURICE T. BOWMAN  
SUBJECT: PHIL BART  
SM-C

On 9/22/55 the following activity of subject was noted during a fisur of 268 Seventh Ave., NYC, the address of CP, USA Headquarters and the NY State, CP Headquarters, by SA MAURICE T. BOWMAN and SA *Howard Kinnally*

Entering: \_\_\_\_\_ A.M. Leaving: \_\_\_\_\_ A.M.  
2:15 P.M. 1:40 P.M.  
3:35

A log covering the above surveillance is being maintained in NY file 100-4931-sub O.

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TO : SAC, New York 100-56579 DATE: 10/11/55  
FROM : SA *Maurice J. Bowman*  
SUBJECT: PHIL BART  
SM-C

Submitted as an exhibit is-are 1  
photograph(s) of subject-taken as subject was about  
to enter-leave 268 7th Ave., NYC, the address of  
headquarters for the CP, USA, and NY State CP.

Date photo taken: 9/23/55  
Source making identification: *MJ Bowman*

Agent who took photo: MAURICE T. BOWMAN  
Location of photographic plant: 170 W. 25 St., NYC,  
3rd floor  
Location of negative: NY file 100-4931  
Roll: 1 exhibit No. 1A 564  
Exposure: 1

*See ex. 1B42*

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, New York *100-56579* DATE: 10/11/55  
FROM : SA *Maurice J. Bowman*  
SUBJECT: PHIL BART  
*SM-C*

Submitted as an exhibit is ~~are~~ 1  
photograph(s) of subject taken as subject was about  
to ~~enter~~ leave 268 7th Ave., NYC, the address of  
headquarters for the CP, USA, and NY State CP.

Date photo taken: *9/30/55*  
Source making identification: *M. Bowman*

Agent who took photo: MAURICE T. BOWMAN  
Location of photographic plant: 170 W. 25 St., NYC,  
3rd floor  
Location of negative: NY file 100-4931  
Roll: *5* exhibit No. *1A-566*  
Exposure: *16*

*See 24, 1B43*

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TO : SAC, New York (100-56579) DATE: 10/11/55  
FROM : SA *Maurice J. Bowman*  
SUBJECT: PHIL BART  
SM-C

Submitted as an exhibit ~~to~~-are 2  
photograph(s) of subject taken as subject was about  
to enter-leave 268 7th Ave., NYC, the address of  
headquarters for the CP, USA, and NY State CP.

Date photo taken: 9/22/55  
Source making identification: *M. Bowman*  
Agent who took photo: MAURICE T. BOWMAN  
Location of photographic plant: 170 W. 25 St., NYC,  
3rd floor  
Location of negative: NY file 100-4931  
Roll: 2 exhibit No. 1A 563  
Exposure: 17, 18

*On exposure 18 subject is shown conversing with  
JAMES J. GREEN, JACK KLING & HAROLD KLEIN.*

*see 14. 1B41*

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SAC, NEWARK (100-2974)

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-66211) (7-5)

MARTHA STONE  
IS-C

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NY 1475-S\*, who is in a position to furnish reliable information concerning National Headquarters, CPUSA, 268 7th Avenue, New York City, advised that on 8/16/55, in a discussion between MARTHA STONE, PHIL BART, and GEORGE WATT, the latter stated, "I think we should have in the secretariat, a report on the status of the party organization in Detroit." GEORGE WATT replied, "It might be good to have NELLIE (believed to be LEON NELSON), come in with a report to the secretariat. We want to know; we want to get out feelers. Give us a report on the status of the party organization. What are the concepts of the organization?" GEORGE WATT continued saying, "NELLIE asked me has there always been problems between New York and National. So I said I don't know. There have been difficulties because in the past there were some political differences. We do have differences on education, such as on the Negro work, there were differences of approach." On the trade union work, he said, he found no sharp differences.

RM

- 1 - Detroit CPUSA Organization
- 1 - New Haven (100-14795) MARTHA STONE
- ① - NY (100-56579) PHIL BART (19) 7-5
- 1 - NY (100-80641) CPUSA Organization (12-14)
- 1 - NY (100-63755) LEON NELSON (7-5)
- 1 - NY (100-18673) GEORGE WATT (19)

EMA:DF3

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-56579)

October 12, 1955

SAC, CHICAGO (100-2644)

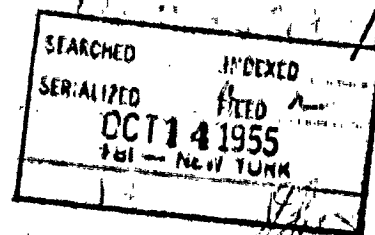
PHIL BART  
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

CG 5824-S, who has furnished reliable information in the past, orally advised SA JOHN E. KEATING on October 11, 1955, that he has learned recently that PHIL BART is quite ill with some form of respiratory disease and that preliminary diagnosis indicates that he may have a heart condition.

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1 - CG A)134-46



OFFICE MEMORANDUM \* UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-69)  
FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (100-18953) ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~  
SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY - USA  
ORGANIZATION  
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

DATE: 10-12-55

~~CLASSIFICATION BY 6076 on 8-29-78~~  
~~EXEMPT FROM GDS, CATEGORY 2~~  
~~DATE OF DECLASSIFICATION INDEFINITE~~

EXTREME CARE MUST BE USED IN REPORTING THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION DUE TO ITS NATURE AND MANNER IN WHICH IT WAS RECEIVED IN ORDER TO GIVE MAXIMUM PROTECTION TO THE INFORMANT.

CG 5824-S, who has furnished reliable information in the past, made available to SA JOHN E. KEATING on October 4, 1955, for photostating, a letter addressed to the informant from PHIL BART, a member of the National Administrative Committee of the Communist Party (CP), and an enclosure to this letter. The enclosure is a characterization of JOHNNIE LUMPKIN ELLIS. One photostatic copy of each of these two items is being furnished herewith to the Bureau and the New York Office. The Chicago copies are located in Chicago file 100-18953-1B3(35).

The following is the text of BART's letter:

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- 1 - Bureau (100-172956 - JOHNNIE LUMPKIN ELLIS)(Encls. 2)(REGISTERED)
- 1 - Indianapolis (100-5592 KATHERINE HYNDMAN)(REGISTERED)
- 6 - New York (REGISTERED)
  - 100-80641 (CP, USA - ORGANIZATION)(Encls. 2)
  - 100-80640 (CP, USA - NEGRO QUESTION)
  - 100-87211 (CP, USA - FACTIONALISM)
  - 100-89590 (CP, USA - STRATEGY IN INDUSTRY)
  - 100-26603 (CP - HARLEM REGION) - not in file
  - 100-56579 (PHIL BART)
- 10 - CG:
  - A) 134-46
  - 100-24800 (LOU DISKIN)
  - 100-24702 (JOHNNIE LUMPKIN ELLIS)
  - 100-3960 (BILL SENNETT)
  - 100-2749 (MOLLIE WEST)
  - 100-18956 (CP-NEGRO QUESTION)
  - 100-18963 (CP-FACTIONALISM)
  - 100-19431 (CP-STRATEGY IN INDUSTRY)
  - 100-17769 (CP-FUNDS)
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*100-56579-1302*

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-69)

Re: CP, USA  
ORGANIZATION

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

"I received your message about Ralph's death -- it's a blow -- sent her telegram.

"1.) Here is a matter I want to call to the attention of Bill and yourself. At a meeting a few months ago of Mollie, Bill and yourself, we agreed that the person in Packing, Lou, be taken off the subsidy from us as of Labor Day. We, therefore, propose no further deductions for him.

"2.) I'm enclosing a characterization of Pat requested by Bill.

"Hope to see you one of these days soon."

RALPH mentioned in above letter is RALPH HYNDMAN, whose wife is KATHERINE HYNDMAN. BILL is BILL SENNETT, and MOLLIE is MOLLIE WEST. SENNETT was the acting Organizational Secretary of the Illinois-Indiana District of the CP during July and August, 1955, while MOLLIE WEST was on vacation. LOU is LOU DISKIN, National CP Coordinator for Packing. PAT is JOHNNIE ELLIS.

The characterization of PAT consists of four typewritten paragraphs. It states in part that in the spring of 1954, a series of meetings took place between the state leadership and PAT, who was a leader in Harlem. Sharp criticism was leveled at her for the following:

"Individual method of work which at times approached factional forms; serious violations of security; personal conduct unbecoming a Communist; anti-leadership trends and attitudes; bourgeois nationalist, anti-white attitudes; serious distortion of Party line."

The characterization states that she accepted criticism, agreed to be released from her post and drafted a statement acknowledging specific weaknesses which she read to the Harlem Regional Committee which accepted it. She subsequently, however, repudiated her own self-criticism, opposed the Draft Program, involved friends and family in struggles, and was especially irresponsible financially.

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-69)

Re: CP, USA  
ORGANIZATION

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The estimate of Party leadership was that she was unstable, unreliable, immature politically and highly emotional. The characterization states, however, that she was, to a considerable extent, the victim of Party weaknesses as well as a certain period and methods of work. She is described as a talented person who made contributions and who could be an important Party leader as well as Negro mass leader were she able to overcome her own weaknesses. In conclusion, it stated that she went to Illinois in order to join her husband and this is the sole reason as far as is known.

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SAC, CHICAGO (61-867)

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-98899) (#7-5)

CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT  
IS -

NY 693-SB, who was in a position to furnish reliable information concerning Headquarters, 263 7th Ave., NYC, advised 6/24/55, that MARTHA STONE contacted CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT, that date in Detroit at Tyler 7-0564. STONE advised LIGHTFOOT, that she was leaving next week for a two week vacation, and wanted LIGHTFOOT to make a report at a very important gathering in Harlem on Wednesday the 29th, where they are taking a poll. She also wanted to turn over to him a number of proposals that arose as a result of her trip to Conn., regarding a trial.

STONE told PHIL (believed to be PHIL BART), during same conversation, that she was giving a complete Saturday to settle all things (believed to refer to LIGHTFOOT's status). Her proposal was that he go back on the same status he was and the permanency be held in abeyance until September. She stated he would be agreeable to return and continue on the same basis stabilizing things. PHIL agreed with her remarks.

RM

- 1 - Newark (100-12974) (MARTHA STONE) (RM)
- 1 - New Haven (100-14795) (MARTHA STONE) (RM)
- 1 - NY 100-66211 (MARTHA STONE) (#7-5)
- ① - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) (#7-1)

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-56579)(7-1)

FROM : SA DONALD J. BERTAGE

SUBJECT: PHIL BART  
SM-C

DATE: 10/17/55

NY 1475-S\*, who is in a position to furnish reliable information, advised on 6/27/55, that on that same date DOXEY (believed to be DOXEY WILKERSON) called PHIL (believed to be PHIL BART) at CP National Headquarters, NYC.

According to the informant DOXEY asked PHIL if PHIL remembered asking DOXEY to make an engagement for a friend of PHIL's. DOXEY stated that he just got back and found that it was all set. DOXEY said that he would stop back earlier about ten o'clock to see PHIL and that if PHIL was not there he would leave instructions and that he believed it could be arranged in a couple of days.

PHIL said that he thought that that person just came in today because he was just informed that the person left a few days ago and came here today. Upon DOXEY stating that he did not follow PHIL, PHIL said that the person just came to NY so if he got it tomorrow it would be just in time. DOXEY said I'll get this word by you tomorrow morning to which PHIL agreed.

1 - NY 100-62509 (DOXEY WILKERSON) (12-15)

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-56579) (7-1)

FROM : SA DONALD J. BERLAGE

SUBJECT: PHIL BART  
SM-C

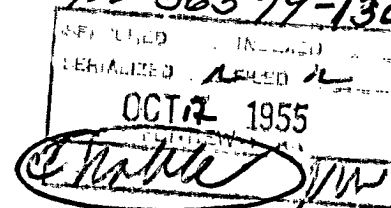
DATE: 10/18/55

NY 1475-S\*, who is in a position to furnish reliable information, advised on 6/27/55, that on that same date JOHN ABT called PHIL at CP National Headquarters, NYC (believed to be PHIL BART).

According to the informant, ABT asked PHIL if he remembered the matter they talked about when they ran into each other in Chicago that last time. PHIL stated that that had been a long time ago and that if it is what he thought it was, he would be seeing ABT this week. ABT then asked if PHIL would be able to take care of the thing for the coming month of July. PHIL then arranged with WOFESY (believed to be ISADORE WOFESY) who was with PHIL at CP Headquarters, to meet with JOHN ABT at 3:00 P.M. the next day.

- 1 - NY 100-54965 (JOHN ABT) (12-15)  
1 - NY 100-19679 (ISADORE WOFESY) (7-1)

*DJB*  
DJB:ag  
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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-56579)(19) ✓

FROM : SA JAMES E. REILLY

SUBJECT: PHIL BART  
IS - C

DATE: 10/13/55

Identity of Informant

NY 1475-S\*

Reliability of Informant

Who is in a position to furnish reliable information concerning activities at CP National Headquarters, 268 Seventh Ave., NYC.

Date

9/7/55

NY 1475-S\* advised that on 9/7/55, an unidentified man at CP National Headquarters inquired of PHIL BART who had been present on the previous day. PHIL told him that ED (believe to refer to ED STRONG) had come in, along with BEN DAVIS, HERMAN (believed to be IRVING HERMAN) and a bunch of other individuals. Shortly afterward, according to the informant, a man who identified himself as BOB entered CP National Headquarters and told PHIL BART that he had to see ED STRONG. BART told him that ED STRONG would be in later.

- 1 - NY 100-79967 (BENJAMIN DVOSIN)(19)
- 1 - NY 100-82430 (IRVING HERMAN)(19)
- 1 - NY 100-20649 (EDWARD EUGENE STRONG)(19)
- 1 - NY 100- (BOB (LNU))(7-6)

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## OFFICE MEMORANDUM

✓ UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

To : SAC, CLEVELAND  
From : SAC, NEW YORK (100-18673)  
Subject: GEORGE WATT  
IS-C

Date: 10/13/55

NY 693-S\*, who is in a position to furnish reliable information concerning activities at CP Headquarters, 268 7th Avenue, New York City, advised that on 6/2/55, GEORGE WATT contacted SALLY (lnu) at Cedar 1-3920, Cleveland, Ohio. WATT asked when FRANK (believed to be FRANK HASHMALL) would get out. SALLY stated that they were waiting to hear from SYLVIA (believed to be SYLVIA HASHMALL). They got permission for SYLVIA to post the bond down there that day so FRANK would not need to be held on Columbus Day. FRANK was expected to be released there at 9:00 o'clock standard time. SALLY stated that SYLVIA and FRANK were planning to stay in Cleveland for a few days, for the affair, but according to SYLVIA, they expected to be in New York by Friday morning. WATT stated that he received a telegram from FREIDA (lnu) and is spreading the word around. SALLY suggested that WATT check with SI GERSON to see who had been advised. SALLY stated that they wanted PATTERSON and others. WATT wanted to know if SYLVIA was relying on him to spread the word around CRC and etc. WATT asked SALLY to have FRANK call OREGON 5-9250 as soon as he gets to Cleveland as MARTHA STONE or PHIL will be around. WATT wanted FRANK'S arrival time in New York, as a whole number of friends wanted to greet him at the station. SALLY stated that the Monday or Tuesday Daily had an account about a Los Angeles judge who refused to accept any testimony from stool pigeons in denaturalization cases. SALLY wanted a copy of what the judge said. She stated they wrote to ADAM LAPIN about this matter and it is terrific.

In the event it is necessary to disseminate this information, care should be taken to protect the informants identity.

RM

- 1 - Cleveland (100-SALLY (lnu))
- 1 - Cleveland (100-SYLVIA H. SHMALL)
- 1 - Cleveland (100-FRANK H. SHMALL)

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NY 100-18673

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- 1 - Newark (100-2974) MERTHA STONE
- 1 - New Haven (100-14795) MARTHA STONE
- 1 - San Francisco (100-ADAM LAPIN)
- 1 - New York (100-63733) SYLVIA H. SHMALL (20-10)
- 1 - New York (100-59759) FRANK H. SHMALL (7-5)
- 1 - New York (100-66211) MERTHA STONE
- ① - New York (100-56579) PHIL BART (7-1)
- 1 - New York (100-78570) ADAM LAPIN (7-5)
- 1 - New York (100-13473) SIMON GERSON (12-14)
- 1 - New York (100-84275) WILLIAM P. TTERSON (7-2)

SAC, NEW YORK (100-80641)(12-14)

10/13/55

JAMES E. REILLY, SA

CP, USA, ORGANIZATION  
IS - C

Identity of Informant

NY 1475-S\*

Reliability of  
Informant

Who is in a position to  
furnish reliable information  
concerning activities at CP  
National Headquarters, 268  
Seventh Ave., NYC.

Date

9/23/55

NY 1475-S\* advised that on 9/23/55, PHIL BART, at CP National Headquarters, asked the switchboard operator if ARTHUR (believed to refer to ARTHUR ZIPSER) had come in. She replied that ARTHUR was there and PHIL asked her to send him upstairs. Shortly afterward, according to the informant, PHIL BART summoned HAL (believed to be HAL SIMON) who was present in the room.

Still later, according to the informant, PHIL BART asked BEN (believed to be BENJAMIN DVOSIN) if he could spare a minute while he was available. BART talked about forming a committee regarding the press. He spoke of this committee as being comprised of two and not over three members and BEN agreed, at PHIL's suggestion, to be on this committee. BEN told PHIL BART that he might go upstate for a month beginning with the following week. At this point, an unidentified man stated that HAL SIMON was coming back later.

- ① - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART)(19)
- 1 - NY 100-81450 (ARTHUR ZIPSER)(12-16)
- 1 - NY 100-28609 (HAROLD SIMON)(19)
- 1 - NY 100-79967 (BENJAMIN DVOSIN)(19)

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-56579)(19)

FROM : SA JAMES E. REILLY

SUBJECT: PHIL BART  
IS - C

DATE: 10/13/55

Identity of Informant

NY 1475-S\*

Reliability of Informant

Who is in a position to furnish reliable information concerning activities at CP National Headquarters, 268 Seventh Ave., NYC.

Date

9/12/55

NY 1475-S\* advised that on 9/12/55, PHIL BART asked the switchboard operator at CP National Headquarters for his home phone number (he was told that it was BU 7-7744). BART then furnished the number to an unidentified man. He remarked that he had a brother-in-law who lived next door to him.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

290 Broadway  
New York 7, New York

~~PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL~~

October 20, 1955

Mr. Edward L. Braune, Agent  
New York Telephone Company  
140 West Street  
New York 7, New York

Dear Mr. Braune:

In connection with an official investigation being conducted by this office, it is requested that you make available all background information which your files contain concerning:

Aaron H. Levin  
2415 Newkirk Avenue  
Brooklyn, New York  
IN 9-5864

Your cooperation in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Very Truly Yours,

*James J. Kelly*

JAMES J. KELLY  
Special Agent in Charge

RJL:MAC  
100-56579

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-80638)

10/5/55

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CP, USA, MEMBERSHIP  
IS - C

Re San Francisco letter to Director, 9/21/55, captioned "CP, USA, UNDERGROUND OPERATIONS; IS - C". Enclosing photographs of material obtained on 8/15 and 23/55, by CSSF 2140-S\*, a source close to WILLIAM SCHNEIDERMAN CP, District 13, Chairman.

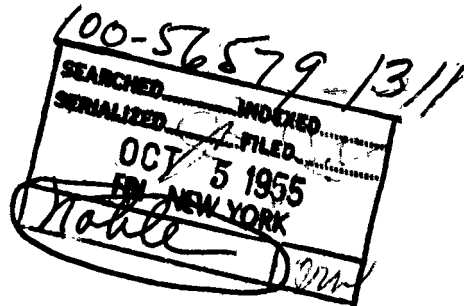
Attached hereto are photographs of a document concerning dues and plans for registration in California which were in an envelope addressed to "National Office ---PHIL BART." Document was believed written by SCHNEIDERMAN.

Enclosures (3)

1 - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) (#7-5) (Info)

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-56579)

DATE: October 12, 1955

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (100-2644)

SUBJECT: PHIL BART  
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

CG 5824-S, who has furnished reliable information in the past, orally advised SA JOHN E. KEATING on October 11, 1955, that he has learned recently that PHIL BART is quite ill with some form of respiratory disease and that preliminary diagnosis indicates that he may have a heart condition.

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-56579) (#7-5)

FROM : SA RICHARD A. DONOVAN (#19)

SUBJECT: PHIL BART  
IS-C

DATE: 10/13/55

The following investigation was conducted on 10/7,10/11/55, by SA ROBERT J. LAWSON and the writer:

[redacted]

PHIL and CONNIE BART, apt. 4G, 2415 Newkirk Ave., Brooklyn, NY, were contacted in an effort to establish a confidential source close to PHIL BART. [redacted] advised the following:

The BART's rented their apartment in August, 1955, and moved in with very little furniture. CONNIE BART drives a Blue 1951 DeSoto, NY license #005826 registered to ROSE PARKER, 1396 E. 47th St., B'klyn, NY, wife of HAROLD PARKER, CP chauffeur. This car was formerly used by BETTY GANNET. She usually leaves about 2:00 p.m. and returns in the evening. PHIL BART leaves in the morning and is usually gone all day. AARON H. LEVIN and his wife (FNU) reside on the same floor as the BART's and obtained the apartment for the BART's from [redacted]

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LEVIN and his wife are both employed during the day, employment not known. Neither the BART's or LEVIN's are friendly with the other tenants.

CONNIE BART has visited [redacted] several times and discussed Negro conditions in the US in general and the EMMET TILL murder case in Mississippi, in particular. One day last week at 2:30 a.m., CONNIE BART knocked on [redacted] door and borrowed her duplicate key to the BART's apartment claiming she had been locked out. The next day, she gave [redacted] ten dollars "for her trouble", but did not return the key. On 10/11/55, [redacted] asked CONNIE BART for the duplicate key but was told it had been misplaced. BART promised to return the key when she found it. She also advised [redacted] that her husband was sick in bed and not to be disturbed.

The other tenants on the 4th floor are:

- 4A
- 4B
- 4C
- 4D
- 4E
- 4F
- 4G



PHIL BART

1-NY 100-96985 (CP Underground) (#19)  
1-NY 100-12959 (CONNIE BART) (#19)

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There are no identifiable references on the above, except on BART and LEVIN. There are numerous security references on A. LEVIN which are not at present identifiable with AARON H. LEVIN, above. NY file 100-0-98600 reflects that AARON H. LEVIN, 2415 Newkirk, was in contact with a person or persons at the Daily Worker.

On 10/10/55, Dr. ABNER BERKWITS, 2416 Newkirk Ave., consented to the use of his office on the ground floor of the apartment house across the street as a surveillance plant.

Efforts to establish this source are continuing.

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-56579) (7-5)

FROM : SA ROBERT J. LAWSON

SUBJECT: PHIL BART  
IS-C

DATE: 10/14/55

On 10/12/55, spot fisur at 2415 Newkirk Avenue, Brooklyn, by SA'S ROBERT J. LAWSON and RICHARD A. DONOVAN, failed to reflect the presence of captioned subject at his residence.

His wife, CONNIE BART, however, was observed to leave the residence at 10:00 a.m., and to return shortly carrying newspapers.

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advised that according to CONNIE BART, PHIL BART has been ill for five days and cannot get out of bed, and therefore, should not be disturbed.

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1 New York 100-12959 (CONNIE BART) (#19)

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, New York (100-56579)

DATE: OCT 17 1955

FROM :

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SUBJECT:

*Phil Bart*

IS-C / SM-C

On 9/7/55, NY 1317-S\* had access to the records of the NY State CP office at 268 Seventh Avenue, New York City and noted the following entry in an address book maintained on the premises:

*" Phil Bart - 530 E 22 St. Bklyn.  
Bu 7-7611 "*

*Believed identical with Philip Bart - who formally resided at 530 E 22 St. Brooklyn, N.Y.*

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*E. T. [unclear] 7-5 [unclear]*

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TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-80633)

FROM : DAVID RYAN, SA

SUBJECT: CP, USA, MEMBERSHIP  
IS - C

DATE: 10/13/55

Bulet dated 9/23/55, set out instructions for all field divisions to be alert for all pertinent data relating to the current Communist Party national registration drive which is currently underway and scheduled to continue through 12/15/55.

In this connection, the Bulet instructed cases on individuals most likely to engage in this registration should be immediately placed in a pending status during the registration period to assure maximum coverage of their activities.

- ① - NY 100-56579 (PHIL DART) (19)
- 1 - NY 100-66211 (MARTHA STONE) (7-5)
- 1 - NY 100-98699 (CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT) (7-5)
- 1 - NY 100-19679 (ISIDORE WOPSY) (19)
- 1 - NY 100-50006 (GEORGE BLAKE CLARNEY) (7-5)
- 1 - NY 100-63755 (LEON NELSON) (7-5)
- 1 - NY 100-319 (ROBERT APPEL) (20-10)
- 1 - NY 100-24448 (LILLIAN GATES) (20-11)
- 1 - NY 100-23290 (NORMAN SCHRANK) (19)
- 1 - NY 100-82900 (EUGENE PERLSTEIN) (20-10)
- 1 - NY 100-25080 (DON LESTER) (20-10)
- 1 - NY 100-79967 (BEN DAVIS) (19)
- 1 - NY 100-34465 (JOHN LAVIN) (20-11)
- 1 - NY 100-50004 (RENA KLEIN) (12-14)
- 1 - NY 100-9308 (HERB WHEELDIN) (19)
- 1 - NY 100-92547 (GEORGE KINSCHNER) (20-11)
- 1 - NY 100-8340 (FRY VIDRO) (20-11)
- 1 - NY 100-119285 (HERMAN WOOLLY) (12-13)
- 1 - NY 100-65505 (AL EISENBERG) (20-13)
- 1 - NY 100-23125 ( ) (20-9)
- 1 - NY 100-77925 (RAE GREENBERG) (20-13)

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- The Bureau has been advised the security subjects to whose files copies of this memorandum have been designated are likely individuals who will actively engage in the registration and in accordance with Bureau instructions these cases should be immediately placed in a pending status.

It is suggested agents assigned to the investigation of these subjects determine the feasibility of fisurs and the utilization of confidential investigative techniques or other logical investigation in an effort to develop information pertaining to the current registration drive. If deemed feasible consult your supervisor immediately.

SAC, NEW YORK (100-22725) (20-10)

10/19/55

JAMES E. REILLY, SA

DAVE GRANT  
SM-C

Identity of Informant: NY 693-S\*  
Reliability of Informant: Who is in a position to  
furnish reliable information  
concerning activities at CP  
Headquarters, 268 7th Ave.,  
NYC  
Date: 9/28/55

NY 693-S\* advised that on 9/28/55, DAVE GRANT contacted PHIL BART at CP Headquarters and told him that he would be unable to get to the office until 11 PM.

According to the informant, later that same morning, HAROLD PARKER contacted JEAN SMITH at CP Headquarters and asked for PHIL BART. JEAN replied that BART had gone out and HAROLD asked her to tell PHIL that he would like to meet with him as soon as possible.

That same afternoon, according to the informant, HAROLD PARKER again contacted JEAN SMITH and asked for BART, who was unavailable. HAROLD said that someone had to bring the registration for the car over to his house by 4 PM that day or he was going to call the insurance company and cancel the insurance. PARKER said that he was "sick of this business" and said that he had been promised that the car business would be fixed up for the last three years. He said that he was tired of getting letters from investigation companies about the car and that the matter must be handled at this time. HAROLD gave his home phone # as BU 7-2018.

In the event it becomes necessary to disseminate this information care should be taken to protect the informant's identity.

- 1 - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) (#19)
- 1 - NY 100-77049 (HAROLD PARKER) (#20-11)
- 1 - NY 100-68934 (JEAN SMITH) (#20-11)

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DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3284)

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PHIL BART  
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

CG 5824-S, who has furnished reliable information in the past, orally advised SA JOHN E. KEATING on October 13, 1955, that he has learned that PHIL BART recently suffered a heart attack, which was described to CG 5824-S as being similar to the one suffered by President EISENHOWER.

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1 - New York (100-56579)(PHIL BART)(REGISTERED)  
1 - CG A)134-46

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, New York

DATE: 10/20/55

FROM : SA *Howard D. Kinnally Jr*

SUBJECT: PHIL BART  
IS-C

Submitted as an exhibit is-~~are~~ *one* photograph(s) of subject taken as subject was about to ~~enter~~ leave 268 7th Ave., NYC, the address of headquarters for the CP, USA, and NY State CP.

Date photo taken:

*9/27/55*

Source making identification:

Agent who took photo:

*Howard D. Kinnally Jr*  
~~MAURICE T. BOWMAN~~

Location of photographic plant: 170 W. 25 St., NYC,  
3rd floor

Location of negative:

NY file 100-4931

Roll: 2

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, New York

DATE: 10/20/55

FROM : SA MAURICE T. DOWMAN

*Harold D. Kinnally Jr*

SUBJECT: PHIL BART  
IS-C

On 9/27/55 the following activity of subject was noted during a fisur of 268 Seventh Ave., NYC, the address of CP, USA Headquarters and the NY State CP Headquarters, by SA MAURICE T. DOWMAN and SA *Harold D. Kinnally Jr* and SA *Thomas Nolan*

Entering: \_\_\_\_\_ A.M. Leaving: \_\_\_\_\_ A.M.  
          \_\_\_\_\_ P.M.                    12<sup>30</sup> P.M.

A log covering the above surveillance is being maintained in NY file 100-4931-sub O.

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## OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Date: 10/20/55

To : SAC, DETROIT

From : SAC, NEW YORK (100-18671) (7-5)

Subject: SAUL WELLMAN  
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NY 1475-S\*, who is in a position to furnish reliable information concerning National Headquarters, CPUSA, 268 7th Avenue, New York City, advised that on 8/16/55, PHIL BART spoke about some individual (believed to be SAUL WELLMAN) and quoted him as saying, "I asked for a release because I could not work, but was convinced by this pal to withdraw such a request." PHIL BART then stated, "Finally, we had another meeting last Sunday." At this time the informant advised that PHIL BART may have made known the names of the individuals at that meeting although, however, it was impossible for the informant to be apprised of them. PHIL BART continued, apparently quoting an unknown female at the meeting, stating, "She said I don't know what has been going on for the last four or five years. In 1950, I was the wife of a defendant."

The informant advised that GEORGE WATT then asked, "What was your characterization?" PHIL BART replied, "I said it's section factionalism. There is no collective leadership. The party is demobilized, disorganized. Conclusion, if you want me to step aside, OK I'll step aside. This was the nature of the discussion."

- 1 - Chicago (61-867) CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT
- 3 - Detroit CPUSA ORGANIZATION; TED (1nu); HUGO (1nu)
- 1 - Newark (100-2974) MARTHA STONE
- 1 - New Haven (100-14795) MARTHA STONE
- 1 - San Francisco (100-37515) SAM COLEMAN
- ① - NY (100-56579) PHIL BART (19)
- 1 - NY (100-80641) CPUSA ORGANIZATION (12-14)
- 1 - NY (100-51955) SAM COLEMAN (7-5)
- 1 - NY (100-98699) CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT (7-5)
- 1 - NY (100-66211) MARTHA STONE (7-5)
- 1 - NY (100-18673) GEORGE WATT (19)

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NY 100-18671

NY 1475-S\* advised that after an interruption PHIL BART stated, "Just a couple of questions. What can be done in the immediate period? My submission is a purge (ph)." MARTHA STONE then asked, "Why is it that three trips were made? You made two, CLAUDE made two, but we had not detected it. There has not been one meeting which took place with the district leaders."

The informant advised that PHIL BART then took over the discussion stating, "Take the first meeting. Three of us went in. At the end of the first day, SAM left. By noon of the second day CLAUDE left and I was left with the third day myself, but it was listed by the commission as one. In the second trip, this time we came on Sunday, CLAUDE left by 6:00 o'clock and I remained; so at no time did they see a collective there. I mean collective in the sense that this was a committee when the committee was there." According to the informant, GEORGE WATT then asked, "Are you able, based on the meetings, now to make a political evaluation of the work? In other words, the political content of the work. Second question, Were you able to bring together any idea or estimate of the specific tendencies which have been advanced in Michigan over a number of years on the principals of the party organization, which may be at the bottom of some of the problems. They have been mentioned at various times, but has the commission been able to ferret them out and bring them together in one package? What I have in mind is a specific example. In a certain period in 1953, we came to grips with SAULIE."

The informant at this time was unable to understand the exact nature of WATT'S conversation, although he did make a statement to the effect that he had an idea that only certain forces should be in the party. The informant advised that GEORGE WATT then continued his questioning of PHIL BART stating, "We try to control some of these theories and analyze them over the years. Could you also summarize more clearly the methods of work, in the political sense of the word." PHIL BART replied, "Well, on the political affairs, I would say I don't know anywhere where so much is confined in the hands of so few and kept there, specifically in discussions of what's going on in the party. For instance,

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On the question of an estimation there is no agreement. There is no agreement between them and HUGO (ph) and there is no agreement between them and (other individuals not mentioned) and furthermore, in connection with their estimation according to the press, they reach the organization." At this point, according to the informant, GEORGE WATT mentioned the press apparatus there (believed to be Detroit). PHIL BART resumed, stating, "I have met now with practically every organization in the city of Detroit in the last six months, not in this investigation, but when I was in there last (date not mentioned). They have not seen the leading people of the party for four, six, eight months or more. They haven't seen them!" In making the last statement, the informant advised that PHIL BART emphasized each word underlined by pounding on a desk or table.

GEORGE WATT then asked, "Are we in a position to make a political estimate, or a political character of the leadership in terms of political content of the leadership and of the work?" To this PHIL BART replied, "I think so, and I think we are."

NY 1475-S\* advised that after an interruption, PHIL BART stated, "I think if you will take the best thing, the position of SALLIE, that the line of the party is fuzzy (ph) there is an estimation of the fact that you haven't got leadership, and that has been able to carry through politically the lines of the party."

GEORGE WATT then stated, "The question though, it seems to me, is that probably the commission hasn't met and evaluated it fully, collectively. It seems to me the key to the question of the approach is a very serious evaluation of the political line and the content of the work of the Michigan District over a prolonged period of time. You can't take it on just what happened in the past, although it is reflected over a period of time."

The informant advised that later in this discussion PHIL BART held the floor and it was believed he was referring to one of his recent trips to Detroit when he said, "When we got there, the three of us and I projected five points for the examination and I'll read it to you."

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"1. What is the status (ph) of the party organization in the political region using as a base the the membership figure we had June 15, 1954, and we picked three areas, the paper, members, and subs.

"2. What is the system of leadership of this particular region? What is the contact? How is membership reached? What is the relationship of leadership with . . . . . negotiations and strikes? What kind of attention and care is given to keep in touch with membership on the development of strikes?

"3. Examine the problems of security especially the effect on organization, the relationship of the shop worker to district leadership in the light of their problems and problems of family and national relations.

"4. What is the status of our membership in the work in the two concentration areas, specifically in the main area.

"5. How does our organization feel the effects of \_\_\_\_\_ policy by examining the \_\_\_\_\_ regions?"

SAC, NEW YORK (100-14899)

10/21/55

DONALD J. BERLAGE, SA (#7-5)

ANDY REMES  
SM - C

Source: NY 693 - S\*

Date: 9/27/55

Reliability: Furnished reliable information in the past

This informant advised that "ANDY" from the New Century (believed to be ANDY REMES) called [redacted] believed to be [redacted] at CP Headquarters and asked for PHIL BART. [redacted] said that PHIL was in the meeting. "ANDY" asked if JACK KLING the man with the mustache was in. On being advised that JACK was not in "ANDY" left a message for him to call as soon as possible concerning an urgent matter.

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Later that day, according to the informant, JULIE LOWITT called LEON NELSON at CP Headquarters and asked if their date was still on and was advised that there had been a mix-up and that the date probably would have to be changed. JULIE was then advised that JACK KLING had not come in yet. JULIE then spoke to PHIL BART and told PHIL that he was supposed to get together with JACK KLING and a couple of guys tomorrow and that he wanted to know if the meeting was still on. BART stated that so far as he knew the meeting was on but that KLING would be in soon.

1 - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) (#19)  
1 - NY 100-19249 (JACK KLING) (#19)  
1 - NY 100-126998 [redacted] (#7-6)  
1 - NY 100-80398 (JULIAN LOWITT) (#20-11)  
1 - NY 100-63755 (LEON NELSON) (#7-5)

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-19679)

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SA DANIEL F. GARDE

ISIDORE WOPSY  
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During a fisur of subject conducted on 9/22/55, WOPSY was observed by SAS EUGENE F. FITZPATRICK, EDWARD J. KARNIS, ALPHONE J. SUTKUS and PAUL F. DAIR. The following is a summary of the activity observed at various times on that date by the several above-named agents, none of whom observed all of the activity mentioned herein:

WOPSY left his residence, 111 Mt. Hope Place, Bronx, NY, at about 9:18 a.m. and proceeded to the Foley Square area, where he entered the New York State Supreme Court building at about 10:15 a.m. Later, WOPSY, accompanied by CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT, PHIL BART and an unidentified female (described as about 45 years of age, 5 ft. 6 inches, 140 lbs.) was observed by SA SUTKUS leaving the U.S. Court House at Foley Square at about 11:25 a.m. The four entered a taxi bearing NY registration 015-382.

CONNIE BART was observed leaving the U.S. Court House at about 11:15 a.m. by SA SUTKUS.

At about 11:50 a.m. WOPSY was observed leaving CP Headquarters, 268-7th Avenue, and proceeding to the IRT subway at 23rd Street by SAS FITZPATRICK and SUTKUS, who discontinued the surveillance at that point in the interest of maintaining security.

At about 3:25 p.m. WOPSY was observed by SA DAIR leaving CP Headquarters with [redacted] whom he accompanied to 23rd Street and 6th Avenue, where she entered the Independent subway station at that location. WOPSY then returned to CP Headquarters which he reentered at about 3:57 p.m.

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- 1 - NY 100-98699 (CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT) (7-5)
- 1 - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) (7-5)
- 1 - NY 100-12959 (CONNIE BART) (19)
- 1 - NY 100-68400 [redacted] (12-10)

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-21259)(12-15)

10/24/55

JAMES E. REILLY, SA

MAC GORDON  
SM-C

Identity of Informant:  
Reliability:

NY 693-S\*  
Who is in a position to  
furnish reliable information  
concerning activities at CP  
Headquarters, 268 7th Ave.,  
NYC  
10/3/55

Date:

NY 693-S\* advised that on 10/3/55, MAC (believed to be MAC GORDON) contacted CP Headquarters and asked to speak to PHIL "upstairs" (believed to refer to PHIL BART). MAC was informed that PHIL was in a meeting upstairs and could not be disturbed. MAC said that it was urgent that he get in touch with PHIL and left a message to have PHIL contact him as soon as possible.

1 - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART)(#19)

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SM-C

Identity of Informant:  
Reliability:

NY 693-S\*  
Who is in a position to  
furnish reliable information  
concerning activities at  
CP Headquarters, 268 7th  
Avenue, NYC  
10/3/55

Date:

NY 693-S\* advised that on 10/3/55, [REDACTED] contacted PHIL BART at CP Headquarters, and stated that he had heard that there was a leaflet coming out, prepared by the National Committee. PHIL said that they had just sent [REDACTED] a copy. [REDACTED] then asked if ED STRONG was in and PHIL replied that he does come in but does not hang around. He said he would have ED call [REDACTED] when next he came in.

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In the event it becomes necessary to disseminate this information care should be taken to protect the informant's identity.

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- (1) - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) (#19)  
1 - NY 100-20649 (ED STRONG) (#19)  
1 - NY 100-81675 (CP, USA PAMPHLETS & PUBLICATIONS) (#12-14)

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TITLE <b>PHILIP BART, was</b>		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>INTERNAL SECURITY - C</b>	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Subject presently residing with his wife at 2415 Newkirk Ave., Apartment 4-G, Brooklyn, NY. Subject has applied for driver's license and planned to take a vacation in August. Acted as Chairman at CP press conference, 2/19/55. Subject, with other CP functionaries, was present to discuss organizational problems of the CP in Detroit. Subject identified as being present at Yugoslav American Hall for conferences, 8/1 - 4/55, and gave the main report at the 8/1/55 conference on CP, USA organization. Continues to hold positions in CP previously reported and spends most of his time at CP headquarters, NYC. Reported to be proposing new commission, discussing CP problems with other CP functionaries, and proposing re-assertion of class struggle in the labor movement. Subject reported active in CP farm activities and to have stated CP plans a national legislative conference in October 1955. Subject continues to handle CP funds and to be in contact with "Daily Worker." Subject observed contacting various CP members in Detroit, in June 1955, and to be in contact with top CP officials in NYC. Subject continues to contact JSSS and is reported to want to move from present CP headquarters.

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DETAILS:

All of the informants used in this report have furnished reliable information in the past unless otherwise indicated.

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The Communist Party (CP), USA, has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

I. BACKGROUND

A. Residence

On July 7, 1955, T-1 advised that the subject had recently stated that his wife, CONSTANCE BART, had recently returned after five years in the CP, USA, underground and that the subject and his wife will reside during the summer at a place in Brooklyn.

On September 12, 1955, Agents of the FBI observed the subject's wife, CONSTANCE BART, leave CP headquarters on Seventh Avenue near 25th Street, New York City, and was observed walking north to 34th Street where she took the Seventh Avenue subway to Newkirk Avenue station in Brooklyn, New York. These Agents then observed Mrs. BART walk to 2415 Newkirk Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, and was observed to enter Apartment 4-G.

On September 12, 1955, [redacted] at 2415 Newkirk Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, [redacted] SA ROBERT J. KIRKLAND, JR. that the subject and his wife moved into Apartment 4-G of this apartment house on August 15, 1955, having signed a two-year lease. [redacted] that the apartment had been requested for the BARTS by AARON A. LEVIN, who resides in Apartment 4-K, 2415 Newkirk Avenue, Brooklyn, New York.

[redacted] stated the BARTS gave no previous place of residence and no names of present or previous employers, but gave telephone number BU 7-7611 as the telephone number where Mrs. BART might be reached. This is the telephone listing of MORRIS LANSER, 530 East 22nd Street, Brooklyn, New York, where the subject and his wife resided during the summer.

Detective MILDRED BLAUVELT, Bureau of Special Services, New York City Police Department, advised SA [redacted] on July 28, 1955, that she became

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acquainted with MANNY LANSER, alias of MORRIS LANSER, and husband of MILDRED LANSER, shortly after his discharge from the United States Army in 1945. She related that MANNY LANSER was a member of the Flatbush Section of the CP in Brooklyn. Detective BLAUVELT stated that LANSER was very active in the CP work and as of the spring of 1947 still held the office of Section Organizer of the Flatbush Section.

On September 13, 1955, [redacted] [redacted] Brooklyn, New York, advised SA DANIEL F. GARDE that the BARTs left Apartment 3-G, 530 East 22nd Street, Brooklyn, New York, when MORRIS LANSER, previously mentioned, and his family returned to the apartment on Labor Day weekend, 1955, and have not returned.

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#### B. Vacation Plans

On July 7, 1955, T-1 advised he recently learned that the subject had applied for a driver's license and that he plans to take a two-week vacation. T-1 advised subject expects to spend one week in New York City and the other week of his vacation on a trip to Chicago and Detroit where he hopes to contact old friends. No mention was made of the date of this vacation.

On August 29, 1955, T-3 advised that information had recently come to his attention that the subject was on vacation but did not know the duration or where the subject was spending his vacation.

### II. CONNECTIONS WITH THE CP

#### A. Attendance at CP Meetings

On February 21, 1955, T-4 advised that on February 19, 1955, a delegation left Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, to attend a CP press conference at Yugoslav Hall in New York City. T-4 advised that the subject acted as Chairman of this meeting and MARTHA STONE gave the main address on the progress of the press drive. T-4 advised that BART

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made three proposals of actions to be taken by the various districts.

The Yugoslav American Cooperative Home, Incorporated, (referred to by T-4 as Yugoslav Hall) has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

T-5 advised on March 11, 1955, that MARTHA STONE is a member of the CP National Secretariat in the National Administrative Committee, CP, USA.

On June 29, 1955, T-6 advised that on June 23, 1955, the subject; CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT; [redacted] convicted Smith Act subject, TOMMY DENNIS; JIMMY HARRIS, whom T-6 believes to be a Detroit Eastside Section Organizer, and other CP functionaries, were present at the home of JIMMY HARRIS to discuss organizational problems of the CP in the Detroit area.

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CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT is referred to in the "Daily Worker," an East Coast Communist newspaper, Page 1, Column 1, dated February 16, 1955, as State Chairman of the CP of Illinois, and a convicted ~~Detroit~~ Smith Act subject.

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TOMMY DENNIS was convicted February 16, 1954, for violation of the Smith Act.

On July 15, 1955, T-5 advised that the subject had stated that there would be a large National Administrative Committee meeting of the CP in New York City, August 2nd and 3, 1955, with a one point agenda, and that there was to be a farm meeting August 4, 1955, and that the subject would be in Chicago right after the August 4, 1955, meeting.

On August 6, 1955, T-7 advised that a meeting, consisting primarily of CP District Organizers, was held at Yugoslav American Home, previously mentioned, in New York City, on August 4, 1955, following the two-day National CP meeting held at this address on August 2nd and 3, 1955. T-7 advised that the subject was present at these meetings.

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On August 6, 1955, T-7 advised that a conference on organization of the CP, USA, was held at the Central Offices, CP headquarters, New York City, on August 1, 1955. This meeting was attended by the subject and other prominent CP leaders such as MAX GORDON who, according to T-7, is Managing Editor of the "Daily Worker," and others.

T-7 further advised that the purpose of this conference was to examine the organizational structure and translation of the political aims of the National Administrative Committee of the CP of which BART is a member, according to T-7, and to put these aims into reality.

T-7 advised that the subject gave the main report at this meeting stating that four measures would be undertaken to strengthen the Party organizationally.

On August 11, 1955, T-8 advised that the subject was present along with other CP functionaries at National CP conference held August 2nd and 3, 1955, and that this conference was called hurriedly to take advantage of the eased national and international situation. T-8 further advised that the subject was also present at the National CP farm conference held on August 4, 1955, and was in charge of this meeting.

#### B. Positions Held in the CP

Positions held remain the same as previously reported.

### III. OTHER ACTIVITIES INDICATING FURTHERANCE OF THE CP PROGRAM

#### A. Subject's Participation in Organizations and Functional Activities of the CP

On April 20, 1955, T-5 advised that the subject at national CP headquarters, 268 Seventh Avenue, New York City, talked of proposing a working commission consisting of seven top CP people, the idea of which was to bring the CP into touch with most parts of the country, and this

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commission would meet every two weeks or so with a regional conference to meet every two months, bringing together organizational heads and district organizers. T-5 advised the subject indicated this commission would cover education, Negro, trade and other matters.

On May 4, 1955, T-5 advised that the subject stated that the CP needed a city organizer for Detroit and added that they have never had anything like this before.

On May 6, 1955, T-5 advised that MARTHA STONE, previously mentioned, told the subject that they were considering having a youth committee in the CP which would be something new and it would be in relation to the Labor Youth League.

The Labor Youth League has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

T-5 further advised that MARTHA STONE discussed with the subject the postponement of the CP National Administrative Committee meeting until May 17, 1955, and added that on May 24, 1955, they would again meet on the CP youth question.

On May 9, 1955, T-5 advised that he recently received information that the subject had said at the Constitutional Convention that they had discussed the American Federation of Labor - Congress of Industrial Organizations Constitution and it was emphasized that there was a need for a differentiation between the tactical approach and the theoretical approach to this basic labor movement document, and that it was necessary to re-assert class struggle in the American labor movement.

On May 18, 1955, T-5 advised that information had come to his attention that the subject spoke about a series of six articles, each article consisting of 1,500 words and eight pages. T-5 advised that the subject had stated these pamphlets would be on the CP program and would run monthly from October 1955 through March 1956.



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On June 23, 1955, T-8 advised he had recently received information that CHARLES COE, who has been associated with the CP farm program, and LEM HARRIS had visited the subject on several occasions recently. T-8 further advised that he had received information that BART apologized to COE and HARRIS because nothing was being done on the CP farm front but the subject said something would be done soon. T-8 advised that BART indicated to COE and HARRIS that he was awaiting the decision of the Supreme Court of the United States on his case which involved invoking the Fifth Amendment when he was a witness before the House Committee on Un-American Activities, and that the subject had stated that until this decision was handed down he would be unable to determine the manner in which he should work.

T-8 further advised that BART had said he had been out of town on several occasions and did not have the time recently to consider the farm front program and before he did anything on the farm matter he wanted to talk to MARTHA STONE, previously mentioned, and MANNY CANTOR, who T-8 described as a member of the New Jersey CP, because he did not desire to go over their heads in the farm matter.

T-8 advised that since a favorable decision has been handed down concerning the subject, the subject and others would now be able to work more freely.

T-8 stated that a meeting of the farm group had been called for July 7, 1955, and that this meeting would probably be held at the Jefferson School of Social Science (JSSS) and is to be attended by those individuals who have been active for the CP on the farm front. T-8 is of the opinion that the subject is "sitting on things" because he is lazy and does not get around to handling the situation.

T-8 advised on April 14, 1952, that CHARLES COE was known to him as a member of the National Farm Commission, CP, USA.

T-1 advised on January 31, 1955, that LEMENT U. HARRIS is still a CP member and is in contact with leading Communists on CP financial matters.

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The JSSS has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

On June 28, 1955, T-7 advised that he had recently received information that the subject, CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT, previously mentioned as Chairman of the Illinois-Indiana District of the CP, and other CP leaders had constituted a group sent to the Michigan District of the CP during the previous week from the national CP office to examine that district.

On July 14, 1955, T-8 advised that he had received information on July 7, 1955, that the subject had stated that in October 1955 the National CP is planning a National Legislative Conference similar to the one held in the summer of 1954 and that in conjunction with this conference, a conference on farm affairs would be arranged.

On August 11, 1955, T-8 advised that information had recently come to his attention that a memorandum had been prepared concerning the farm policy of the CP, USA, and submitted to WILLIAM Z. FOSTER, which FOSTER had answered by letter. T-8 advised that he had information that the subject demanded the use of this letter to prepare revisions in the national CP set-up.

WILLIAM Z. FOSTER is Chairman of the CP, USA, according to an article entitled "Foster Wires Clemency Plea to Eisenhower" which appears in the June 19, 1953, issue of the "Daily Worker," Page 1, Column 1.

#### B. Handling of CP Funds

On May 12, 1955, T-5 advised that MARTHA STONE, previously mentioned, was in a discussion with the subject at which time she commented that they would have to discuss raising bail money for the Puerto Rican Smith Act people.

On July 7, 1955, T-5 advised that he had information that the subject had contacted ANTHONY KRCHMAREK regarding money to be furnished the subject. T-5 further stated that KRCHMAREK stated he would send the money the following day as he realized the subject needed the money immediately.

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ANTHONY KRCHMAREK was indicted for violation of the Smith Act on November 9, 1953, by a Federal Grand Jury at Cleveland, Ohio.

On July 7, 1955, T-1 advised he had information that the subject was having trouble in regard to the CP reserve fund and STANLEY LEVISON, who is associated with the Reserve Fund. T-1 further advised that the subject had indicated that LEVISON was in a "rut" and had produced nothing new in the way of donations or new business. In this connection, T-1 advised he had information that the subject desired to have a separate group to operate as a separate unit in the Reserve Fund with no association with LEVISON and that this group should meet periodically with the subject.

T-1 advised on May 7, 1954, that STANLEY D. LEVISON had been working for several years in connection with the secret financial apparatus of the CP which had been under the control of the late WILLIAM WEINER until his death in 1954.

On July 7, 1955, T-1 further stated that MAX MAMET, who is employed in the brokerage office of Franklin, Meyer and Barnett at 120 Broadway, New York City, had been given \$2,500 by the subject from the CP Reserve Fund to play the stock market for benefit of the CP Reserve Fund and that within the past week had made a profit of \$800.

T-1 advised on July 7, 1955, that MAX MAMET was formerly active in the New York State CP but is now officially out of the State CP operation and is working exclusively for the CP Reserve Fund.

On August 10, 1955, T-5 advised that the subject at CP headquarters had asked an unidentified individual if he had the "wage book" because the officials were coming to check the books and it would be necessary to have the books worked up and explained to the subject in detail so he would know what he was talking about when questioned concerning them.

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C. "Daily Worker" Connections

On May 9, 1955, T-5 advised that the subject stated that the CP had considered a southern pamphlet and that maybe the "Daily Worker" would run a page on southern news every month or so.

On July 27, 1955, T-3 advised that the subject contacted the "Daily Worker" offices and asked if they had ROY WOOD'S address. Subject was advised WOOD'S address was 4000 West Belvedere Street, Baltimore, Maryland.

ROY WOOD, alias of LEROY HAND WOOD, was convicted on April 1, 1952, in United States District Court in the State of Maryland for conspiracy to teach and advocate the overthrow of the United States Government by force and violence.

On July 29, 1955, T-5 advised that the subject had contacted MAX GORDON, previously mentioned, at the offices of the "Daily Worker" and asked him to come to CP headquarters for a discussion on financial matters with GORDON as the subject spoke of needing money.

D. Contact with CP Leaders and Members

On June 21, 1955, Agents of the FBI observed the subject entering and leaving the residence of SAUL WELLMAN, convicted Smith Act subject who resides at 3000 Clairmount Avenue, Detroit, Michigan.

SAUL WELLMAN was convicted February 16, 1954, for violation of the Smith Act, United States District Court, Detroit, Michigan.

On June 22, 1955, Agents of the FBI observed the subject entering and departing the residence of HELEN WINTER, convicted Smith Act subject.

HELEN WINTER was convicted on January 21, 1953, for violation of the Smith Act in United States District Court, Detroit, Michigan.

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On June 23, 1955, Agents of the FBI observed the subject along with NAT GANLEY again enter the residence of SAUL WELLMAN, previously mentioned.

NAT GANLEY was convicted on February 16, 1954, for violation of the Smith Act of 1940 in Federal Court, Detroit, Michigan.

On June 24, 1955, Agents of the FBI observed the subject, SAUL WELLMAN and HELEN WINTER, previously mentioned, departing from the WELLMAN residence.

On June 24, 1955, Agents of the FBI observed the subject, SAUL WELLMAN and NAT GANLEY, both previously mentioned, departing from CP headquarters, Detroit, and proceeding to the NAT GANLEY residence.

On June 29, 1955, T-7 advised that he had received information that the subject met with MOLLIE LIEBER WEST, who had returned to Chicago from California, while the subject was in Chicago on the weekend of June 24 - 26, 1955, and that WEST reported to the subject regarding her trip to California stating she had seen all CP leaders in California and the leaders of the "People's World," a West Coast Communist newspaper, and that WEST had returned with an envelope containing \$5,000 which was turned over to the subject.

T-7 advised in May 1954 that MOLLIE LIEBER WEST is Organizational Secretary of District No. 8, CP, USA.

On July 6, 1955, T-5 advised that BILL ALBERTSON contacted the subject at CP headquarters, New York City.

BILL ALBERTSON was convicted on August 30, 1953, in United States District Court, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, for violation of the Smith Act of 1940.

On July 6, 1955, T-5 advised that he had received information that the subject contacted LEMENT U. HARRIS, previously mentioned, and they discussed the meeting they had had on Friday and asked if he could see the subject at CP headquarters, New York City, on the afternoon of July 7, 1955, which meeting was agreed to by the subject.

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On July 12, 1955, T-3 advised that the subject contacted LOU BURNHAM and told him they were waiting for him.

T-7 advised on January 17, 1955, that LOU BURNHAM was approved by the CP national underground leadership on January 11, 1955, as a member of the CP, USA, National Administration Commission in charge of Negro affairs.

On July 26, 1955, T-5 advised that information had come to his attention that MARTHA STONE, previously mentioned, proposed to the subject, GEORGE WATT and AL BLUMBERG that the subject's wife, CONNIE BART, help the Civil Rights Congress (CRC) with the case regarding the "bail question."

T-1 advised on May 18, 1955, that GEORGE WATT was CP, USA, Trade Union Director.

AL BLUMBERG was indicted October 6, 1954, by a Federal Grand Jury in United States District Court, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, for violation of the Smith Act of 1940.

The CRC has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

On August 5, 1955, T-7 advised that he had received information that PHIL BART would arrive in Detroit on August 6, 1955, and would remain two days to work with CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT, previously mentioned, on organizational problems of the Michigan district leadership which the CP considers to be the key organizational problem today.

On August 6, 1955, T-7 advised that the subject, CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT, HELEN WINTER and SOLLY (SAUL) WELLMAN, all previously mentioned, met in New York City on August 3, 1955, and left for Detroit during the weekend of August 5-7, 1955.

On August 11, 1955, T-5 advised that he had received information that the subject had told MARTHA STONE

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and CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT, both previously mentioned, that the CP could not undertake the campaign of GEORGE BLAKE'S case because it was a narrow issue narrowly placed.

GEORGE BLAKE CHARNEY, with alias: George Blake, is under indictment for violation of Smith Act of 1940 and has been granted a new trial.

On September 9, 1955, T-3 advised that information had come to his attention that [redacted] contacted the subject at CP headquarters asking the subject to change the time of their appointment.

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T-9 advised regularly between September 15, 1950, and June 21, 1951, that [redacted] New York CP during 1951 and was in frequent contact with members of the National Committee, CP, USA, during 1951.

On September 14, 1955, T-7 advised that information came to his attention that the subject had directed a communication to BILL SENNETT, who T-7 advised is Acting Organizational Secretary of the Illinois - Indiana District of the CP, during the absence of MOLLIE WEST, previously mentioned, which explained "Dues," "Changes in Dues Schedule," and "Press" in connection with the CP.

On July 8, 1955, Agents of the FBI observed the subject and CHARLES COE, previously mentioned, enter the JSSS, New York City.

#### IV. MISCELLANEOUS

##### A. New Location of CP Headquarters

On September 6, 1955, T-5 advised that information had recently been received that the subject had talked about his desires to be "out of here" referring to the present CP national headquarters at 268 Seventh Avenue, New York City, by January 1, 1956. T-5 advised that he had heard that BART had talked of moving to places, such as the

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building that the "New Century" is in or the building that houses the JSSS, previously mentioned.

New Century Publishers (referred to as New Century by informant) was cited by the Congressional Committee on Un-American Activities, Report No. 1920, May 11, 1948, pages 7 and 35, as "an official Communist Party publishing house which has published the works of William Z. Foster and Eugene Dennis, Communist Party Chairman and Executive Secretary, respectively, as well as 'Political Affairs' and the Constitution of the Communist Party, USA."

B. Information Regarding  
National Farm Committee

On September 7, 1955, T-3 advised that recently he had heard that a man who identified himself as GLEN MARKS of the Washington News Syndicate, contacted CP headquarters and spoke to the subject asking if the subject had a list of the members of the National Farm Committee, to which the subject replied that they did not.

T-3 further advised that MARKS asked how many members were on the Committee and the subject replied that they did not release the names of the Committee but only the name of the Chairman.

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T-1 NY 694-S*	Documentation of STANLEY LEVISON	5/7/54		
	7/7/55, Subject having trouble with CP Reserve Fund	7/7/55		
	Documentation of LEM HARRIS	1/31/55		
	7/7/55, Info re subject's wife's return to open Party	7/7/55		
	7/7/55, Applica- tion for driver's license; vacation plans	7/7/55		
	7/7/55, MAMET's investing CP Re- serve Fund in stock market	7/7/55		
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T-3 NY 693-S*	7/12/55, Sub- ject's contact with LOU BURNHAM	7/12/55		
	7/27/55, Subject's contact with "Daily Worker" re ROY WOOD	7/27/55		
	8/29/55, Sub- ject on vacation	8/29/55		
	8/9/55, [redacted] [redacted] contact with subject	8/9/55	b6 b7C	
	9/7/55, Sub- ject's discus- sion of CP Farm Committee with GLEN MARKS	9/7/55		
T-4 [redacted]	2/19/55, Delega- tion left Phila. to attend CP Press Conference at Yugoslav Hall	2/21/55 (oral)	SA JAMES [redacted] F. FINLEY 518	Sub A-  b7D
		6/8/55 (in signed statement)		
T-5 NY 1475-S*	Documentation of MARTHA STONE	3/11/55		
	4/20/55, Propo- sal by subject of a working commis- sion consisting of 7 top CP people	4/20/55		

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T-5 (cont'd.)	5/4/55, Need for Detroit City Organizer	5/4/55		
	5/6/55, Considering youth committee in CP & postponement of National Administrative Committee meeting	5/6/55		
	5/9/55, Subject's discussion of AFL-CIO constitution & CP approach to labor movement	5/9/55		
	5/9/55, Consideration of southern pamphlet in "Daily Worker"	5/9/55		
	5/12/55, Discussion of raising bail for Puerto Rican Smith Act people	5/12/55		
	5/18/55, Subject spoke of 6 articles on CP program	5/18/55		

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T-5 (cont'd.)	7/6/55, Contact with BILL ALBERTSON	7/6/55		
	7/6/55, Subject contacted LEM HARRIS	7/6/55		
	7/7/55, Contact with ANTHONY KRCHMAREK	7/7/55		
	7/15/55, National Administrative meeting, 8/2 - 3/55	7/15/55		
	7/26/55, Meeting of subject & others concerning Mrs. BART's help with CRC	7/26/55		
	7/29/55, Subject's contact with MAX GORDON	7/29/55		
	8/10/55, Subject's request for "wage book" & to have it explained to him	8/10/55		

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T-5 (cont'd.)	8/11/55, Discussion of GEORGE BLAKE's case	8/11/55		
	9/6/55, Subject's desire to be out of present CP headquarters	9/6/55		
T-6 <input type="text"/>	6/23/55, Meeting of LIGHTFOOT, DENNIS, HARRIS & others at home of HARRIS	6/29/55	SA J. CARTER BEESE (personally)	Detroit <input type="text"/>
T-7 Chicago 5824-S*	Documentation of MOLLIE WEST	May 1954		
	Documentation of LOU BURNHAM	1/17/55		
	6/25-26/55, Subject with CP members sent to Michigan, District of CP	6/28/55		
	6/25-26/55, Meeting between <input type="text"/> & subject concerning <input type="text"/> trip to Calif.	6/29/55		

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T-7 (cont'd.)	8/6/55, Subject's trip to Detroit on organizational problem	8/5/55		
	8/2-4/55 Conference at Yugoslav Hall, NYC	8/6/55		
	8/1/55, Conference on organization of CP at CP headquarters	8/6/55		
	Documentation of MAX GORDON	8/6/55		
	8/3,5,7/55, Subject's meeting in NYC, 8/3/55, & trip to Detroit, 8/5-7/55	8/6/55		
	8/14/55, Subject's contact with SENNETT. Documentation for BILL SENNETT.	8/14/55		
T-8 <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100px; height: 15px; display: inline-block;"></div>	Documentation of CHARLES COE	4/14/52		b7D
	6/21/55, COE & HARRIS visit with subject on CP farm matters	6/23/55		

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T-8 (cont'd.)	6/21/55, BART's statement re US Supreme Court decision re contempt charges	6/23/55		
	Documentation of MANNY CANTOR	6/23/55		
	6/21/55, Meeting of CP farm group, 7/7/55, at JSSS	6/23/55		
	7/7/55, Subject stated CP planning National Legislative Conference in Oct.	7/14/55		
	8/2-4/55, National CP Conference held on 8/2-4/55	8/11/55		
	8/4/55, Memo concerning farm policy, CP, USA	8/11/55		
T-9 NY 516-S*	Documentation of <span style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 100px; height: 15px;"></span>	Regularly between 9/15/50 & 6/21/55		b6 b7c

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Identity of Agents Conducting  
Surveillances on the Subject

New York Agents surveil-  
ling subject's wife, CON-  
STANCE BART, on September  
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SAs [redacted] and  
ROBERT J. KIRKLAND, Jr.  
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Detroit Agents on surveil-  
lance, June 21, 1955, 5:30  
p.m. to June 22, 1955, 8:00  
a.m.:

SAs [redacted]  
[redacted]  
MARTIN F. O'CARA  
RICHARD H. DAVIS  
[redacted]  
JOHN R. CLARKE, Jr.  
J. CARTER BEESE  
[redacted]  
Location: Detroit file  
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Detroit Agents on surveil-  
lance, June 22, 1955, 8:00  
a.m. to 5:30 p.m.:

[redacted]  
GORDON F. IHMLE  
JOHN R. COOPER  
[redacted]  
JOHN W. MILLER  
ERNEST R. STRAWMAN  
[redacted]  
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Detroit Agents on surveil-  
lance, June 23, 1955, 8:45  
a.m. to 5:40 p.m.:

[redacted]  
JOHN R. COOPER  
RICHARD H. DAVIS  
[redacted]  
CHARLES H. MILLER

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Detroit Agents on surveillance, June 23, 1955, 8:45 a.m. to 5:40 p.m. (cont'd.):

MARTIN F. O'GARA  
Location: Detroit file  
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Detroit Agents on surveillance, June 24, 1955, 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.:

WILLIAM F. DESMOND, Jr.  
J. CARTER BEESE

[REDACTED]  
JOHN R. COOPER  
JAMES I. GLAVIN  
JAMES A. ABSHIER

[REDACTED]  
EUGENE L. PAYNE  
Location: Detroit file  
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New York Agents on surveillance, July 8, 1955:

[REDACTED]  
J.L. MARTIN  
Location: Exhibit Section  
of New York file 100-  
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Additional Information  
Furnished by Informants

The information set out below about the subject was obtained under such circumstances as to warrant its being given additional protection.

On July 16, 1955 CG 5824-S\* advised that the subject and MARCEL and LENA SCHERER had a meeting on July 13, 1955, and the subject had promised to meet the SCHERERS in the near future.

PAUL M. CROUCH stated in June 1953 that MARCEL SCHERER formed a national department of the CP, USA, in 1928 to work among scientists in the United States with

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the objective of securing scientific information to send to Russia and crippling United States in the event of war.

On August 6, 1955, CG 5824-S\* advised that CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT has stated there is a possibility that PHIL BART may return to Chicago as the Organizational Secretary of the Illinois - Indiana District of the CP replacing MOLLIE WEST.

On August 6, 1955, CG 5824-S\* advised that on the evening of August 1, 1955, he and PHIL BART, a member of the National Administrative Committee of the CP, who is in charge of CP finances and holds a position equivalent to National Organizational Secretary of the CP, went to New Jersey to get a substantial contribution from ROBERT WIRTZ. They were accompanied by subject's wife CONSTANCE BART.

CG 5824-S\* advised that ROBERT WIRTZ was known to him several years ago as a CP member in the Illinois District and Section Organizer for the CP in Peoria, Illinois.

On August 20, 1955, CG 5824-S\* advised that the subject had indicated at an organizational meeting at CP headquarters, NYC, on August 1, 1955, that at the present time the CP, USA, has twenty-five districts. Of these districts, the National Office of the CP has no statistics on membership from seven districts, and that the statistics from the remaining eighteen districts are far from accurate.

On June 29, 1955, NY 1440-S made available photographic reproductions of information then in the possession of NED SPARKS, a leading functionary in the national CP underground apparatus. Among documents in the possession of SPARKS was a nine-page memo on "Notes on Party Organization."

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The author of this memo is unknown, however, on March 3, 1955, NK 2010-S\*, a source close to JACK KLING, a leading CP underground functionary, furnished a seven-point agenda for a three-day discussion with PHIL BART who, according to CG 5824-S\*, is acting as the Organizational Secretary of the CP, USA. Certain of these points on the KLING - BART agenda are similar to the points discussed in "Notes on Party Organization."

In this memo ten points were singled out for presentation as being major problems requiring analysis and new approaches. They are:

1. The struggle for the Party's legality
2. The Party's mass role in organization
3. Concentration policy
4. Party organization in the labor movement
5. The Shop Club today
6. Party organization among Negro people
7. Leadership to forces in mass organizations
8. The Community Club and its role
9. The press
10. Problems of leadership, cadre and methods of work

According to NY 1475-S\*, who is in a position to furnish reliable information concerning activities at CP national headquarters, 268 Seventh Avenue, New York City, on August 10, 1955, PHIL BART was in conversation with an unidentified man at CP national headquarters. PHIL asked

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if the unidentified man had spoken with AL (believed to be AL BLUMBERG) and the man answered that he had spoken to AL and told him what the situation was, but that AL had replied that there was nothing that could be done.

PHIL then said he would propose that on the next day there be a motion that they turn over the whole front page to the Fund drive. He said the paper (presumably the "Daily Worker") had to have \$20,000 to live on until its campaign began in October. BART remarked that if anyone was opposed to this proposal they could go out and raise the money themselves. He said if they could do it in a better way he had no objection but he was tired of listening to political arguments. He said that he proposed they bring in GEORGE (believed to be GEORGE WATT) and the unidentified man could bring MARTHA (believed to be MARTHA STONE) here and they would also have CLAUDE (believed to be CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT) in attendance too. BART said that the situation was very acute.

At this point, the unidentified man remarked that the sum was the minimum and was also contingent on some circulation activity. He said they also had the problem of Labor Day and that this minimum would be the minimum for them until after Labor Day when they started their drive. He remarked, "with this fifteen, on Labor Day our bill to him (not further identified) is going to be \$30,000." PHIL corrected him saying, "with this fifteen it will be only twelve to him." The unidentified man replied, "twelve to him, that's right. Then we take rent, telephone, labor, taxes, etc. Now something has got to come in. There has to be some income otherwise we might as well give up the ghost."

PHIL then mentioned making an appeal in the paper and asked that it be kept in mind that "this" goes in on Thursday and comes out on Friday and people leave for the weekend. He said they were putting it in on a bad day as it would be forgotten by the following Monday.

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Later that same afternoon, according to the informant, PHIL BART again speaking to an unidentified person at CP national headquarters said, "Los Angeles has 75,000, has 38,500 in. Washington 13,000, 4,000 in. Illinois County with 13,000, 7,200 in. San Francisco, Los Angeles between them they have 113,000 and between them they raised 57-58,000. San Francisco has 51%, Los Angeles has 52%." BART continued by saying, "this is as of August 3rd, August 1st was the 50% mark. Then they have subscriptions \$1,100 to come in. \$71,000 came in in cash and \$1,100 came in in subscriptions so a total of \$72,000."

The only information furnished by T-5 (NY 1475-S\*) used in the body of this report was information where individuals listed were identified.

BART is a Smith Act subject. Philadelphia is Office of Prosecution.

The Security Index card pertaining to the subject has been reviewed and all information appearing thereon is correct.

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Copies of this report have been designated for Philadelphia inasmuch as they are Office of Prosecution.

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At New York, New York

Will continue to follow and report activities of the subject.

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10/24/55

SAC, NEW YORK (100-18671)

SAUL WELLMAN 7-15  
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Source: NY 693-S\*

Date: 8/23/55

Reliability: Furnished reliable information in the past.

The informant advised that GEORGE WATT at CP Headquarters, 268 Seventh Avenue, NYC, called SAUL WELLMAN at Tyler 7-0564 at Detroit. The informant advised that the following conversation took place:

WATT: "I was thinking of dropping by your place the latter part of the week. I wanted to talk to you about the trial and also it would be well to discuss the other question with others, that statement we were working on."

WELLMAN: "NAT is away and will not be back until Labor Day. Everybody is gone too. The only thing breaking is the Chrysler thing and that is not in the same contract."

WATT: "I have to be in Cleveland to meet my lawyer over the weekend and will drop by your place on Friday. I may take the plane or drive. Someone else wants to talk to you."

UNKNOWN TO WELLMAN: "Who did you give the \$136 to?"

WELLMAN: "'RAE', but she is on vacation."

UNKNOWN: "I got a letter for you from 'TED'. I have a leave of absence for some time."

WELLMAN: "What is the status of things?"

UNKNOWN: "It is not so easy but 'GEORGE' will tell you and I hope you will let me know how you are. Did you have to let 'ERIC' go?"

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WELLMAN: "Yes."

UNKNOWN: "I hope you get 'CHARLEY'".

WELLMAN: "I don't think so."

UNKNOWN: "You know about my licenses, I have a temporary license which expired last month. Well you go and get it and mail it to me or give it to 'GEORGE' or 'PFIL' (believed to be PHIL BART). Also find out if I have insurance."

WELLMAN: "I took care of your insurance and will check the other for you."

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-12)  
FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-26854)(12-14)  
SUBJECT: CP, USA, DISTRICT 7  
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DATE: 10/27/55

Identity of Informant NY 1475-S\*

Reliability of Informant

Who is in a position to furnish reliable information concerning activities at CP National Headquarters, 268 Seventh Ave., NYC.

Date 9/28/55

- 1 - Bureau (100-3-69)(CP, USA ORGANIZATION) (RM)
- 1 - Chicago (61-867)(CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT) (RM)
- 13 - Detroit (100- ) (CP, USA, DISTRICT 7) (RM)
- (100- ) (CP, USA, ORGANIZATION)
- (100- ) (SAUL WELLMAN)
- (100- ) (NAT GANLEY)
- (100- ) (HELEN WINTER)
- (100- ) (CARL WINTER)
- (100- ) (THOMAS D. DENNIS, JR.)
- (100- ) (JIM FABER)
- (100- ) (CP, USA, NEGRO QUESTION)
- (100- ) (MICHIGAN SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCE)
- (100- ) (JOHN SMEADS (phonetic))
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- (100- ) (FNU JACKSON)

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- 1 - Minneapolis (100- ) (CP, USA, ORGANIZATION) (RM)
- 1 - Newark (100-2954)(MARTHA STONE) (RM)
- 1 - New Haven (100-14795)(MARTHA STONE) (RM)
- 1 - San Francisco (100-37515)(SAM COLEMAN) (RM)
- 18 - NY 100-80641 (CP, USA, ORGANIZATION)(12-14)
- NY 100-80640 (CP, USA, NEGRO QUESTION)(12-14)
- NY 100-51955 (SAM COLEMAN) (7-5)
- NY 100-37342 (JIM FABER)(19)
- NY 100-66211 (MARTHA STONE)(7-5)
- NY 100-98699 (CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT)(7-5)
- NY 100-63755 (LEON NELSON)(7-5)
- NY 100-18671 (SAUL WELLMAN)(7-5)
- NY 100-18373 (GEORGE WATT) (19)
- NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) (19)

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NY 1475-S\* advised that on 9/28/55, a meeting (believed to be of the National Administrative Committee of the CP, USA) took place at CP National Headquarters, 268 Seventh Ave., NYC. According to the informant, this meeting was attended by CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT, Chairman of the National Administrative Committee (NAC) of the CP, USA; MARTHA STONE, Organizational Secretary of the NAC, CP, USA; SAUL (believed to be SAUL WELLMAN, Chairman of District 7, CP, USA); HELEN (believed to be HELEN ALLISON WINTER, Michigan CP functionary); PHIL BART, CP, USA Organizational Secretary; and who is in charge of finances for the NAC; GEORGE WATT, National Trade Unions Director of the CP, USA; SAM (believed to be SAM COLEMAN, NY State CP functionary who was convicted in San Francisco, California, for violating the Federal Harboring Statutes) and JIM (possibly JIM FABER, recently emerged CP underground figure who in the past had been connected with the Party Industrial Apparatus). During the meeting it was apparent, according to the informant, that a blackboard was used in conjunction with the discussions.

CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT was the first individual to address the meeting and stated that its purpose was to get the consensus of the comrades' opinions in order to prepare some sort of document summarizing the main conclusions drawn from a tour of the Michigan area a few months previously. LIGHTFOOT said that the commission (believed to refer to a commission consisting of LIGHTFOOT, PHIL BART and possibly LEON NELSON, SAM COLEMAN and JIM FABER, which had been dispatched to the Detroit area to examine the party setup there) went into the Michigan District as a result of a meeting in the Central (believed to refer to the Central Board or Committee of the CP, USA) at which SAULIE (believed to be SAUL WELLMAN) brought up questions and problems regarding party organization, the status of the party and how the party should function (presumably in regard to the Michigan area). According to LIGHTFOOT, SAULIE, at that time, took exception to a number of propositions and pointed out that there were some peculiar problems facing the Michigan District. Consequently, they set up the commission to determine to what extent this was true and also whether or not some of the general propositions, as advanced in the party

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organizational conference, applied to the Michigan District. LIGHTFOOT said that the problems they were thrashing out had no grounds in the technical aspect of the party organization, but rather were based on questions of political line, political action and so forth. With that in mind, the comrades went to the Michigan District and held a number of meetings with the leadership and comrades there to get their general views on the situation.

LIGHTFOOT said that the problems they discovered were not new in that district, but had been recently aggravated by other factors. He proposed discussing the period from 1951 to 1955, as it more closely coincided with the "stewardship of the present leadership of the Michigan District."

Continuing, LIGHTFOOT observed that, in this connection, the problem of "area attacks" on the party was more sharply manifested in the Michigan District than any other with the possible exception of Pittsburgh. He said that this fact was more clearly seen as a result of the first round of hearings held in the Michigan area by the "Un-American Committee" and the large number of names publicized in newspapers. LIGHTFOOT asserted that these attacks came not only from "the enemy" but also from within the labor movement; "especially in the main base that the 'left' forces in the Michigan District hold", namely, the Ford plant.

LIGHTFOOT pointed out that in the Smith Act trials, the Michigan leadership was among the first picked up following the Supreme Court verdict. He stated that the House Un-American Activities Committee had made two visits to the area and that the city-wide percentage of deportations among the foreign born was larger than any other city with the possible exception of Los Angeles. LIGHTFOOT characterized this as a conscious policy, on the part of "the enemy" to safeguard one of its most vulnerable spots. He also asserted that the Smith Act trial registered an outstanding impact upon the community in the Michigan District. However, in his estimation, the "Michigan Six"

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conducted themselves honorably before the Court, and succeeded in bringing a message to the masses which was clear and understood even more so than Foley Square (referring to the NY Smith Act trial). LIGHTFOOT also commended the "bail fight" conducted by comrades in the Michigan District in terms of the total amount of money raised and stated that he could appreciate the achievement in the light of the tremendous task it had been to raise \$50,000 in the Chicago area.

LIGHTFOOT then took up the party weaknesses in the Michigan area, which might reflect themselves in one form or another in the party organization generally. He said that the party was not fully equipped to bear the loads placed on it by the attacks in that area. He said that the party was not sufficiently ideologically prepared to combat the attacks against it. He stated that in his estimation, the key questions in the Michigan District were the question of a cadre training program and the question of a "rounded-out educational plan of work to infuse the district with an ideological light." He said that he had serious doubt that much "class" work had been done in the Michigan District in the last four years. He said that in questioning comrades with whom he had met in Michigan concerning materials, documents, and party programs, he found that they got very little of it and only general knowledge at the "big plant there, the American - - (inaudible to the informant) and had sensed no drive to come to grips with the problem."

LIGHTFOOT then referred to a question of security. He said that he had heard from both SAULIE and JIM that a situation existed in the Michigan District in which the people in the open should not meet with people in (here the informant indicated the work "exile"). LIGHTFOOT said that the people in the open would not take leadership from the people who, in this case, were defendants. He said that, in discussing the transferral of leadership into the open, the authoritative center, they encountered more resistance from the Michigan area than any other. According to LIGHTFOOT, one of the arguments advanced was that they would be exposing their people.

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LIGHTFOOT stated that the picture in the Michigan District was that the party works with a collection of individuals, rather than through routine organizational forms.

LIGHTFOOT commented on the need of the proper type of "top team" for the District. He explained this as the necessity of having comrades, whose capabilities were complementary to each other. He cited HELEN (believed to be HELEN WINTER) as a comrade with a wealth of experience in many levels of party organization, but whom they could not exploit fully because of ill health.

LIGHTFOOT then proposed that PHIL (believed to be PHIL BART) and SAM (believed to be SAM COLEMAN) make their comments so that the comrades could get the full picture of the committee's thinking. Here, SAULIE stated that he had a question to be clarified before the "comrades of the commission" spoke. He said it concerned LIGHTFOOT's statement on security, that the people in the open should not meet with the people in the shops. (The informant advised that he could not learn LIGHTFOOT's reply.)

MARTHA STONE then asked how many times there had been changes of assignment in cadre in the Michigan District over the past four years. She specifically mentioned "organizational secretaries". An unidentified man replied that it had changed four times in four years.

PHIL BART then took the floor and stated that a problem existed in that the Michigan District was "one-industry" district or at least a one industry city, which tended to confine their activities with the result that the situation shaped their policy, rather than the policy shaping the situation. He complained that they were limited to the problem of the industry or sometimes even to a certain part or a certain shop, but were unable to mobilize the whole party around it. BART referred to the meeting which LIGHTFOOT had mentioned on the East Side (presumably of Detroit) with Negro comrades, which had taken place about two blocks away from the Dodge Plant.

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He said that these comrades were <sup>not</sup> connected with the industry and complained that they were being left on their own in the community and wanted to know where they fitted into the picture. BART said that they were trying to achieve concentration. In conclusion BART criticized the fact that membership figures were based on payment of assessments and could not furnish a complete knowledge of the membership.

SAULIE (WELLMAN) next took the floor and stated that the work of the commission had been inadequate and was merely scratching the surface. He characterized the party in Michigan as a testing ground for the National Party. He said that the Michigan Party was not ready to take a general line and carry it out. He opined that the Michigan Party had developed a certain line of Michigan "exceptionalism". He confessed that a certain defeatism had permeated his own thinking and that of the comrades in the Michigan District which brought about the pessimistic attitude that they were faced with "very, very difficult problems." He said that this represented an ideological penetration of the "enemy".

SAULIE stated that another problem was that the Michigan District had been "plagued" for 25 years, and in the last five years, more so than ever, with the question of leadership, stability of leadership, continuity of leadership, and integrity of leadership. He wished for the relative security which the party felt in California, Illinois, New York, New Jersey, and so forth, because they had good strong leadership there by top native cadre, top native DO's, (District Organizers). He pointed out that, since 1924, seventeen DO's had been sent into Michigan beginning with an old Chicagoan by the name of JOHN SMEADS (phonetic). He said, "I have had thrown up to me on many occasions the sins of John Smeads, which somebody 20 years from now will have thrown up to him, the sins of Saul Wellman."

SAULIE then commented that, as long as he could remember, every district leadership had been "grappled with" and had made insufficient progress. He pointed out, however,

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that the greatest degree of progress during the ten years he had been in the district, came during the period from 1945 to 1948 under the aegis of CARL (believed to be CARL WINTER, convicted Detroit Smith Act subject). SAULIE mentioned one year in 1946 or 1947, when they had taken HELEN (believed to be HELEN WINTER, convicted Detroit Smith Act subject and wife of CARL WINTER), given her an assignment and put 170 people through a series of party schools. He remarked that during that time, the Michigan School of Social Science came into being with special classes for top leadership. He said that after the hectic period of the Smith Act, they "just let loose". He said that they had certainly "let loose" after 1949 because, since 1949, when "Jackson was released to go back into the South, they had not had any educational director to speak of." At this point, HELEN interrupted and stated that "he" had been released as educational director in July, 1948 and they had had no educational director since that time. SAULIE agreed that she was right, although he pointed out, that NAT (believed to be NAT GANLEY, convicted Detroit Smith Act subject and reporter on the "Michigan Worker") had been in for a while, but that it had not worked out.

SAULIE said that he had figured out a list of 35 people, natives, people who not only deserve to, but who had to be at a policy making level, who should have been board members. He said that in the past ten years, the native cadre had not been at policy making level. He stated that the closest they had come, had been TOMMY (believed to refer to THOMAS D. DENNIS, JR.). SAULIE hastened to state that the problem lay not so much in developing native cadre, which he insisted was available, because the party had been there for 30 years, but rather in finding the means of bringing the native cadre into a policy making level. He pointed out that in 1952, when they found top leadership becoming more and more restricted, and responsibilities not being properly delegated either in the operations or in political and ideological fields, the Secretariat had drawn up a list of top men. SAULIE said that even then they had found it necessary

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to draw on NAT GANLEY who had gone to work as a "stone cobbler". He was, at that time, 48 years old and the most he could give them was four hours a week, yet they needed him badly, nor were they able to get along without him. They also had gone to the people whom they had listed, one by one. SAULIE said that one of them, a native of the state, who was very capable and whose wife had been there 20 years, was met, not once but six times by the whole Secretariat. They asked him why he was not doing more and finally he poured out his resentment to them about outsiders that came into the district and cutoff their development. SAULIE said "I think that, in my opinion, is the heart of the problem. Not so much the question of resentment, - you see these people don't want to be the [redacted] (phonetic) and they don't want to be the operational workers alone. They don't want to be the organization/secretaries, administrative secretaries, and the section organizers. They also want to be at the policy making levels of the party, because some of them have been at the policy making levels in the party at one time or another, and it is extremely important to them."

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SAULIE then mentioned another man (name written on the blackboard) as the "State Red". He clarified the statement by saying, "you know, every town has a town Red. He is the State Red. That's right, Governor and everything. He is working on a job. Well, he is about 52, 53 or 54 now and is a little tired." According to SAULIE, the man had been one of the most decisive forces in factories that they had operating in this situation. At this point, an unidentified man, said that, "he" had been Secretary of the Union and SAULIE said that "he" had been more than that, because he had also been member of the Party board of the TUL Union. SAULIE said that the man had been on the policy making level of the party, but in fifteen<sup>years</sup> he had been pushed out and now deteriorated. SAULIE asked how they could prevent that deterioration and keep him active. He said that these circumstances applied not only to "him", but to a whole host of others, including a large negro cadre which had shrunken

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to about "two handfuls".

SAULIE then noted that in the past four years, the district had gone through four DO's, involving five changes. He admitted that he might have been acting wrongly and probably had some explaining to do, but part of it was a reaction due to "unnecessary and inept intervention of the national secretariat." He said there was a period, and asked JIM to correct him if he was wrong, when the District was without a DO for five or six months with the approval of the National Secretariat and stated, "nobody is going to crawl out from under that." MARTHA STONE interrupted him to ask when this had taken place and SAULIE replied that it took in two periods, from the arrest on September 17 to January 1, plus another six months. (Not further described.) He said that he wanted to discuss the responsibilities of those present and his own responsibilities, but he could not describe the damage that had been done, because it became so ridiculous at a certain point that they were operating with three DO's.

He suggested that they stop the nonsense and get their heads together to lay out some form or other of what the leadership should be like and where they were headed even if it took a year to do so. He asserted that positive action had to be taken to meet the crises as they arose.

SAULIE then made two proposals, the first being to adjust themselves to the peculiarities of a certain area and its personnel. (Here he mentioned TOMMY again as a good organizational secretary in 1948, 1949 through 1952.)

SAULIE said that the hunting season in Michigan District was from November 15 to the 30th, and that everyone, party leadership included, fell out for the season. He said that you had to arrange your work to take into account that two weeks of the year, the comrades were going hunting and the only thing that could deter them would be the "imminence of a proletarian revolution." He reiterated that they just



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had to learn the characteristics and habits of their native comrades.

Secondly, SAULIE said that they had to secure an educational director which could be done from their own ranks. Then, according to SAULIE, they had to get rid of "a whole Army of Generals" which they had. He said that no one worked with "the branch" but everyone was "masterminding" how someone was going to do something. He said that they were good comrades, but not strategically placed production wise. As a case in point, he remarked that on Sunday (presumably 9/25/55), he and his wife had trouble with the Immigration Department and had to get out two pieces of literature to 700 people. Accordingly, he enlisted the aid of another comrade who ordinarily was not noted for moving in an emergency, but who pitched right in when SAULIE told him that he was going to work with him. SAULIE reported that they had done the job without difficulty.

Employing the blackboard, SAULIE recommended an unidentified individual as section organizer of the Negroes in the three sections, FRED DOUGLAS, 12th Street and McGraw which had now become one big Negro community.

SAULIE then said that the last time the regional committee had met was the first week in August with subsequent meetings scheduled for the 18th of August, 27th of August, 7th of September, 16th of September and up to the 28th of September which he did not think would take place. He said that this was because the question was being raised all over by the ranks as to "why everybody is appearing". He said they were unprepared for this action.

SAULIE next said that it was their opinion in the Michigan District, that if the move for Negro representation was to advance in the State, it had to get out of Wayne County, not into Genesee County, but into Jackson, Muskegon, Bay City, Saginaw and so forth. He said that they had ten big

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industrial cities in the State with a Negro population of from 10 to 15 percent. He pointed out that the party had a rich tradition in "out state" areas and noted, for example, that in 1930 the second largest district of the party in the country was a place up in the "Upper Peninsula" which had close to 3,000 members in the CP at that time. He stated that they hardly paid any attention to it at the present time, and in fact were trying to get rid of it. He reported that the board took up the question and suggested its transfer to Minneapolis which was only 112 miles away, instead of the 700 miles which separated it from Detroit.

SAULIE then told those present, that an examination of the list of subscribers for the "New World Review" and "National Home -----" had revealed that the subscribers in "out state" areas were in much greater proportion than Detroit. The "New World Review" had 315 subscribers in the State, seven of which were in Detroit and the remainder divided among one hundred eleven other cities and communities.

At this point, an unidentified man (possibly JIM FABER) discussed the question of concentration and stated, "It is true. The guy from Packard has not been contacted for six months." He said that one of the weaknesses was the feeling that whatever was going to be done would be done through party "branches". He said that for the first few weeks, he had met with six party branches, "grabbed them by the hand" himself. He said that they consisted of three Armenian board workers as a branch, and three other Slavs, a Pole, and a Russian. At this point, PHIL BART interrupted and criticized the unidentified man for not using the blackboard, thereby terminating the intelligible portion of the meeting for the informant.

In the event it becomes necessary to disseminate this information, care should be taken to protect the informant's identity.

SAC, NEW YORK (100-114456)

10/28/55

SA ROBERT J. LAWSON (20-11)

AARON H. LEVIN  
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A review of captioned subject's file reflects that he resided at 1975 51st St., Brooklyn, as of 6/22/54; was a member of I.W.O. Lodge 525J; subscribed to the "Worker", and was possibly engaged otherwise in CP activities.

NY file (100-56579-581, p. 5) entitled "PHILIP BART, was, IS-C" reflects that one AARON LEVIN and wife, DOROTHY, resided at 1975 51st St., Brooklyn, and further that DOROTHY LEVIN was the sister of PHILIP BART.

Recent investigation by the writer, and SA RICHARD A. DONOVAN towards establishing a highly confidential source at the present residence of PHILIP BART at 2415 Newkirk Ave., Brooklyn, revealed that one AARON H. LEVIN presently resides at this address with his wife (name unknown at present).

According to source, [redacted] LEVIN has lived here about 1 year, has no children, and is responsible for getting PHILIP BART his apartment. Information re AARON LEVIN, developed through the establishment of a highly confidential source at 2415 Newkirk Ave., will be designated for instant case file, inasmuch as the subject of this file is apparently identical with the AARON H. LEVIN presently residing at 2415 Newkirk Ave., Brooklyn. It is of note that the only AARON H. LEVIN listed in the current Brooklyn Telephone Directory resides at 2415 Newkirk Ave.

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① - 100-56579 (PHILIP BART)(7-5)

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, New York (100-56579)      DATE: 10/31/55  
 FROM : SA ~~MAURICE T. BOWMAN~~ *THOMAS NOLAN JR*  
 SUBJECT: *PHIL BART*  
           *IS-C*

On 9/25/55 the following activity of subject was noted during a fisur of 268 Seventh Ave., NYC, the address of CP, USA Headquarters and the NY State CP Headquarters, by SA ~~MAURICE T. BOWMAN~~ and *HOWARD G. KINNALLY* SA *THOMAS NOLAN JR.*

Entering: \_\_\_\_\_ A.M.    Leaving: \_\_\_\_\_ A.M.  
           \_\_\_\_\_ P.M.                    12:12 P.M.

A log covering the above surveillance is being maintained in NY file 100-4931-sub O.

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## OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEWARK (100-2974)

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-66211)

SUBJECT: MARTHA STONE  
IS-C

DATE: 10/31/55

Identity of Informant: NY 1475-S\*

Reliability of Informant: Who is in a position to furnish reliable information concerning activities at CP National Headquarters, 268 7th Avenue, NYC

Date: 10/5/55

NY 1475-S\* advised that on 10/5/55, PHIL BART contacted NORMAN (believed to be NORMAN SCHRANK) via the inter-office telephone at CP National Headquarters. BART requested NORMAN to meet with himself; MARTHA (believed to be MARTHA STONE) and MAC (believed to be MAC GORDON).

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1 - Milwaukee (100- JOHN GILMAN)(RM)

1 - New Haven (100-14795 MARTHA STONE)(RM)

1 - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART)(#19)

1 - NY 100-23290 (NORMAN SCHRANK)(#19)

1 - NY 100-21259 (MAC GORDON)(#12-15)

1 - NY 97-169 (DAILY WORKER)(#7-2)

1 - NY 100-63755 (LEON NELSON)(#7-5)

1 - NY 100-74560 (CP, USA FUNDS)(#19)

AKW 1 - NY 65-5604 (WILLIAM ALBERTSON)(#7-5)

1 - NY 100-89903 (JENNIE BAER)(#20-14)

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NY 100-66211

BART said that the discussion would be on "Daily Worker" financing. NORMAN said that he was involved in a meeting and suggested, since time was pressing, that NELLIE (believed to be LEON NELSON) be invited into the meeting. BART then contacted NELLIE and requested that he meet immediately with the foregoing group. During the following conference, according to the informant, a man remarked that the paper was "so much in debt, a 64 grand drive won't cover it."

Later that same afternoon, according to the informant, an unidentified man was told by the switchboard operator at CP National Headquarters that JENNIE (possibly referring to JENNIE BAER, a Queens County CP member) had requested that he notify her whether or not there was a meeting scheduled for that night. He stated that he had an appointment with the doctor at 5 O'clock and asked that JENNIE be notified that there was a meeting. The switchboard operator also told him that JOHNNY GILMAN of Milwaukee had tried to contact him as well as BILL ALBERTSON.

In the event it becomes necessary to disseminate this information care should be taken to protect the informant's identity.

SAC, NEWARK (100-2974)

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-66211)(#7-5)

MARTHA STONE  
IS-C

Identity of Informants  
Reliability

NY 1475-S\* and NY 693-S\*  
Who are in a position  
to furnish reliable  
information concerning  
activities at CP  
National Headquarters,  
268 7th Ave., NYC  
10/7/55 and 10/7,10/55,  
respectively

Date

NY 1475-S\* advised that on 10/7/55, GEORGE WATT  
at CP National Headquarters, stated that PHIL (believed  
to be PHIL BART) was not in that day as he was at home  
ill.

NY 693-S\* advised that on 10/7/55, ANDY (believed  
to be ANDY KEMEL) contacted MARTHA (believed to be  
MARTHA STONE) at CP National Headquarters and told her  
that he wanted to see her for a few minutes concerning  
the friend he had taken to the doctor. MARTHA asked  
ANDY to give her the details and ANDY said that it  
might be a coronary thrombosis and that the friend  
would have to go to bed for about five days. (It is  
believed that the individual who is ill is PHIL BART).

NY 693-S\* further advised that on 10/10/55,  
IZZY (believed to be ISIDORE WOPSY) at CP Headquarters,  
contacted a woman believed to be CONNIE BART at her home  
and inquired about PHIL (believed to be PHIL BART).  
The woman stated that PHIL was a little better that day.  
Later that same afternoon, according to NY 693-S\*,  
CONNIE contacted CP Headquarters and asked that MARTHA  
or somebody be told that the doctor had just seen PHIL  
and ordered him to remain at home in bed for the rest  
of the week. CONNIE said that PHIL would probably come

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- 1 - New Haven (100-14795)(MARTHA STONE)(RM)
- 1 - NY 100-18673 (GEORGE WATT)(#19)
- 1 - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART)(#19)
- 1 - NY 100-14899 (ANDY KEMEL)(#7-5)
- 1 - NY 100-12959 (CONNIE BART)(#12-15)
- 1 - NY 100-19679 (ISIDORE WOPSY)(#19)

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Letter to SAC, Newark  
NY 100-66211

into the office during the next week and also mentioned that she, herself intended to come in either on the following day or the day after (presumably 10/11 or 12/55). CONNIE said she was glad that they caught PHIL's ailment when they did before it developed into something more serious.

In the event it becomes necessary to disseminate this information, care should be taken to protect the informant's identity.



OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : SAC, NEW YORK / 100-56579      DATE: 11/2/55

FROM : SA ROBERT H. BERTKE

SUBJECT: PHIL BART  
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Submitted as an exhibit is ~~are~~ 1 photograph(s) of subject taken as subject was about to enter-leave 258 7th Ave., NYC, the address of headquarters for the CP, USA and NY State CP. IBFS

Date photo taken: 10/27/55

Source making identification: ROBERT H. BERTKE

Agent who took photo: ROBERT H. BERTKE  
MAURICE T. BOWMAN

Location of photographic plant: 170 W. 25 St., NYC,  
3rd floor

Location of negative: NY 100-4931, exhibit No. 1A 578

Roll: 2

Exposure: 12

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM \* \* \* \* \* UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW HAVEN (100-11181)  
(RM)  
FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (100-18393)  
SUBJECT: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF  
THE RAILROAD INDUSTRY  
INTERNAL SECURITY - C  
OO: CHICAGO

DATE: 10-24-55 *u*

Reference is made to New Haven letter to Chicago dated September 26, 1955, in which background information concerning OTTO WANGERIN and (FNU) [redacted] was requested.

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OTTO WANGERIN from 1919 through 1940, was a CP member at Chicago engaged in the penetration of the railroad industry at Chicago for the District #8, CP, USA. From 1940 through 1945, WANGERIN was a member of the Trade Union Commission of the District #8, CP. During 1944, WANGERIN was the Chicago correspondent for the "Daily Worker". From 1945 through 1950, WANGERIN was employed at Chicago as a lecturer and Organizer for the CP. During 1951, WANGERIN was the Administrative Secretary of the Illinois Civil Rights Congress. From February, 1954 until the present, WANGERIN has been employed as proprietor of the Modern Book Store, 64 West Randolph Street, Chicago, a CP propaganda outlet of Chicago. During 1955, WANGERIN has been considered by the Illinois-Indiana District CP leadership and the leadership of the CP, USA, for assignment as

Enclosure: 1

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3-Boston (RM)

- 1- [redacted]
- 1-100- [redacted]
- 1-100-COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE RAILROAD INDUSTRY)

2-Chicago

- 1-100-3338 (OTTO WANGERIN)
- 1-100-21963 [redacted]

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④ New York (RM)

1-100- (GEORGE HOLT)

① 1-100- (PHIL BART) *e. noble*

1-100- (GEORGE WATT)

1-100- (COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE RAILROAD INDUSTRY)

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SAC, NEW HAVEN

RE: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF  
RAILROAD INDUSTRY

an instructor for young CP members in the technique of penetrating the railroad industry to the advantage of the CP.

WANGERIN, married, resides at 6405 South Dorchester, Chicago, and is currently a Key Figure and Smith Act Subject of the Chicago Division.

(FNU) [redacted] is possibly identical with [redacted] with alias, [redacted] has been employed as a station man for the New York Central Railroad, 63rd and State Streets, Chicago, since October, 1951. He currently resides at [redacted] Chicago, Illinois. From the fall of 1950 through July 28, 1951, [redacted] was an employee of the [redacted] a CP [redacted] in Chicago.

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[redacted] attended CP meetings at Chicago in early 1951 and was active in the Progressive Party in Illinois during 1950. During 1950, [redacted] also was a member of the Young Progressives of America. During 1950 - 1951 [redacted] attended functions of the Civil Rights Congress and the American Peace Crusade at Chicago.

[redacted] is described as follows:

Race	White
Birth data	[redacted]
Height	Cincinnati, Ohio
Weight	6'
Eyes	175 lbs.
Hair	Brown
Scars and Marks	Brown
Marital Status	Notable scar on bridge of nose
	Married

SAC, PHILADELPHIA (100-22157)

10/26/55

SAC, NEW YORK (100-56579)

*[Handwritten initials]*  
PHILIP BART, was  
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Enclosed is one Photostat of a letter dated 9/20/55,  
to Director, FBI, from SAC, Indianapolis, concerning former  
 who has furnished information in connection with  
captioned case. This is being furnished to your office  
in view of the fact that you are office of prosecution. b7D

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-74560)

COMMUNIST PARTY, USA - FUNDS  
 INTERNAL SECURITY - C

CO 5824-S, who has furnished reliable information in the past, orally advised SA JOHN E. KEATING on November 1, 1955, that CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT received a call from the National Office of the CP on October 31, 1955, requesting that JACK KLING be sent to New York City immediately. The informant advised that KLING plans to leave Chicago for New York City on November 1, 1955. Purpose of KLING's trip to New York City is to assist PHIL BART on CP funds and records pertaining to these funds. LIGHTFOOT told CO 5824-S that he has an understanding with the National Office that KLING is to spend at most one week in New York City and then will return to Chicago to assume his duties in the Illinois - Indiana District concentrating on the steel industry.

Above is submitted for information.

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 100-19249 (JACK KLING)

6 - Chicago  
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 100-3313 (JACK KLING)  
 61-867 (CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT)  
 100-22013 (CP - Dennis Division)  
 100-19431 (CP - Strategy in Industry)  
 100-8495 (COMINFIL - USA, GLO)

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK 100-56579 (2-5) DATE: 11/1/55  
FROM : SA ROBERT H. BERTKE  
SUBJECT: PHIL BART  
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Subject was observed leaving and/or entering 258 - 7th Ave., NYC, the address of CP, USA Headquarters and the New York State CP Headquarters.

Date: 10/21/55 Observed by: SAS ROBERT H. BERTKE and [redacted]  
Time in: :AM :AM  
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Time out: :AM :AM  
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Date: 10/24/55 Observed by: SAS ROBERT H. BERTKE and MAURICE T. BOWMAN  
Time in: :AM :AM  
:PM :PM  
Time out: :AM :AM  
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Date: 10/25/55 Observed by: SAS ROBERT H. BERTKE and MAURICE T. BOWMAN  
Time in: :AM :AM  
:PM :PM  
Time out: :AM :AM  
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Date: 10/27/55 Observed by: SAS ROBERT H. BERTKE and MAURICE T. BOWMAN  
Time in: :AM :AM  
:PM :PM  
Time out: 3:01 :AM :AM  
:PM :PM

Date: 10/28/55 Observed by: SAS ROBERT H. BERTKE and MAURICE T. BOWMAN and [redacted]  
Time in: 1:22 :AM :AM  
:PM :PM  
Time out: 3:19 :AM :AM  
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A log covering the above surveillance is being maintained in NY file 100-4931-Sub O.

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SAC, Philadelphia (100-22157)

November 1, 1955

Director, FBI (100-9284)

PHILIP BART  
Internal Security - C  
Smith Act of 1940

Reurlet dated October 20, 1955.

Since the subject is presently residing in the area covered by the New York Office and is operating as a national officer of the Communist Party, New York is being designated office of prosecution and future supplemental prosecutive summary reports should be prepared by that office.

Bufiles reflect that the last investigative report in this case is dated July 27, 1955. Since Bart is carried as a top functionary, an investigative report should be promptly submitted by the New York Office.

*Law 10-21-55*

2 cc - New York

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TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-56579)  
 FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (100-26111)

DATE: November 2, 1955

SUBJECT: PHIL BART  
 IS - C

CG 5824-S, who has furnished reliable information in the past, orally advised SA JOHN E. KEATING on October 28, 1955, that he had recently received a letter from PHIL BART in which BART stated that he is feeling much better after his heart attack. The return address on BART's letter is as follows:

2415 Newkirk Avenue  
 Apartment 4G  
 Brooklyn, New York

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : SAC, NEW YORK 100-56579

DATE: 11/3/55

FROM : SA ROBERT H. BERTKE

SUBJECT: PHIL BART  
IS-C

Submitted as an exhibit ~~to~~-are 2  
photograph(s) of subject taken as subject was about  
to enter-leave 268 7th Ave., NYC, the address of  
headquarters for the CP, USA and NY State CP.

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Date photo taken: 10/28/55

Source making identification: ROBERT H. BERTKE

Agent who took photo:

ROBERT H. BERTKE

~~MAURICE T. BORMAN~~

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Location of photographic plant: 170 W. 25 St., NYC,  
3rd floor

Location of negative: NY 100-4931, exhibit No. 1A579

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Exposure: 1 - 1  
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OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, New York ~~100-56499~~  
FROM: S. [redacted] b6  
SUBJECT: Philip Bait. b7C

DATE: 10/25/55  
~~9/22/55~~

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Submitted as an exhibit is-are 2 photograph(s) of subject taken as subject was about to enter-leave 268 7th Ave., NYC, the address of headquarters for the CP, USA, and NY State CP. 1B44

Date photo taken:

10/5/55  
~~9/22/55~~

Source making identification: S.G. [redacted]

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Agent who took photo: S.G. [redacted]

Location of photographic plant: ~~268 7th Ave.~~ 248 W. 25th St. NYC

Location of negative:

NY file 100-4931  
exhibit No. 1A 568

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-74560) (19)

11/4/55

ALPHONSE J. SUTKUS, SA(A)

CP, USA - FUNDS  
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On 11/1/55,  Manufacturers Trust Company, 322 Eighth Avenue, NYC, made available to SA(A) ALPHONSE J. SUTKUS records reflecting the activity in the bank account of the CP, USA during October, 1955.

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The following is a summary of the information contained in these records.

The balance in above account as of 10/3/55 was \$138.04.

The following deposits were made to this account during October:

10/13	\$ 500.00	Cash
10/14	2,000.00	Cash
10/21	500.00	Cash
10/24	600.00	Cash
10/28	160.85	Cash
10/28	136.66	Cash
	1,442.11	Check issued by CP, USA
	315.40	Check issued by CP, USA
	17.60	Check issued by Equitable Life Assurance Society
10/31	1,333.82	Cash

1-NY 100-4931 (CP, USA) (12-14)  
 1-NY 100-54965 (JOHN ABT) (12-15)  
 1-NY 100-19679 (ISADORE WOPSY) (19)  
 1-NY 100-10989 (New Century Publishers) (7-2)  
 1-NY 100-9365 (WILLIAM Z. FOSTER) (7-5)  
 1-NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) (20-11)  
 1-NY 105-7520 (HECLA PRESS) (6)

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The following withdrawals were made during  
October:

Check Number	Date of Check	Payee	Amount	Bank of Deposit and/or Endorser
103	10/14/55	The Hecla Press	\$1,000.00	National City Bank
101	10/14/55	JOHN J. ABT	600.00	Amalganated Bank
102	10/14/55	Forer and Rein	500.00	Liberty National Bank, Washington, D.C.
107	10/21/55	Cash	410.17	ISADORE WOPSY
104	10/18/55	Federal Reserve Bank	200.00	
106	10/19/55	Associated Hospital Service	10.52	
105	10/18/55	NY State Communist Party	150.00	
109	10/25/55	New Century Publishers	200.00	Manufacturers Trust Company
		Bank charge	2.29	
	10/24/55	Cash	225.00	ISADORE WOPSY
	10/27/55	Payroll check	315.40	Communist Party, USA
	10/27/55	Petty cash	1,442.11	Communist Party, USA
	10/31/55	Petty cash	204.19	ISADORE WOPSY

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NY 100-74560

All of above checks were signed by ISADORE WOPSY.

The balance in above account as of 10/31/55 was  
\$1,884.81.

On the same date, [redacted] an assistant manager at above bank, informed the writer that the CP, USA filed a new certificate of corporate resolutions with this bank dated 10/4/55, in which the officers of the CP were reflected as WILLIAM Z. FOSTER, Chairman, and PHILIP BART, Secretary. ISADORE WOPSY was indicated as being the only individual authorized to draw checks against the CP, USA bank account.

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SAC NEW YORK (100-99383) (19)

Nov. 4, 1955

EDWIN H. EILERS, SA

GERALD IVAN SHAPIRO, wa  
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Source: NY 1590-S\*

Reliability: Who has furnished reliable information in the past

Date of Activity: 10-26-55

Date Received: 10-26-55

On 10-26-55 the above informant advised that an unidentified woman contacted IDA DORIN a receptionist and dental hygienist employed by the subject at his office, indicating that she was calling for a MR.                      BART (ph) who had previously visited DR. SHAPIRO, and had not been there for several years. BART was in need of some dental attention and IDA DORIN disclaimed a ny knowledge of a MR. BART relating that possibly DR. SHAPIRO's partner could help him. The source learned that BART wanted DR. SHAPIRO who/then in California. The Unident. woman indicated that she would call back later after failing to get any satisfaction from IDA DORIN. Info from this source s hould be paraphrased to protect identity.

It is noted that former CS  in June 1954 advised that Dr. Gerald I. SHAPIRO was a member of a Professional Unit of the CP in New York City during the period 1942-1949. b7D

SHAPIRO is currently the subject of an investigation to determine the nature and scope of his connection with the CP Underground and/or the CP Fugitive apparatus. He has recently been contacted by individuals who have been operating in a leadership capacity in the CP Underground.

It is not known if the MR. BART mentioned above is identical to PHIL BART a leading National Cp functionary, however a copy of this memo is being designated for his file in event further information becomes available confirming his connection with DR. SHAPIRO.

1cc 100-56579 (PHIL B ART) (7-5)  
1cc 100-126501 (IDA DORIN)(19)

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM \* UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-80634) (12-14) DATE: 11/4/55

FROM : SA RICHARD H. BLASSER

SUBJECT: CP, USA.  
FARM MATTERS  
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Source: [redacted] \* b7D

Reliability: This informant has furnished reliable information in the past and his identity must be concealed by the use of a T symbol.

Date and/or Description of Activity: Results of visit to NYC by informant on 10/13/55

Received: 10/19/55

Location: [redacted] b7D

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- 1 - NY [redacted] (P&C) (7-4)
- 1 - NY 100-7413 (NAT ROSS) (12-14)
- ① - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) (12-14)
- 1 - NY 100-18672 (MAX WEISS) (19)
- 1 - NY 100-25623 (ERIC BERT) (12-14)
- 1 - NY 97-169 ("DAILY WORKER") (7-2)
- 1 - NY 100-21259 (MAX GORDON) (12-16)
- 1 - NY 100-7658 (LOM HARRIS) (20-13)
- 1 - NY 100-23681 ("FACTS FOR FARMERS") (7-2)
- 1 - NY 100-66938 (CHARLES COE) (20-11)

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NY 100-80634

[redacted] orally advised SA RICHARD H. BLASSER  
of the following on 10/19/55:

Informant visited [redacted] He

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-56579)

DATE: 11/7/55

FROM : SA ROBERT J. LAWSON (#19)

SUBJECT: PHILLIP BART  
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SA, 1940

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The following investigation was conducted by SAs RICHARD A. DONOVAN, [redacted] and ROBERT J. LAWSON in connection with establishing a highly confidential source at BART'S residence, 2415 Newkirk Avenue, Brooklyn.

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PHIL BART was observed to leave his residence at 8:45 A.M., 10/25/55, to purchase a newspaper. This was the first time subject has been observed at his residence in the past two weeks. According to source, [redacted] BART had allegedly suffered a heart attack and was confined to his bed.

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Concerning AARON H. and DOROTHY LEVIN who obtained the apartment for CONNIE and PHIL BART at 2415 Newkirk Avenue, and who also reside in Apt. 411 T at his address: As previously reported DOROTHY LEVIN is PHIL BART'S sister. The New York indices contain numerous security references on a DOROTHY LEVIN of 1975 51st Street, Brooklyn, but no case file. On 10/24/55, a check of the Post Office at 20th Avenue and 67th Street, Brooklyn, reflected a change of address for AARON and DOROTHY LEVIN from 1975 51st Street to 2415 Newkirk Avenue, Brooklyn, as of October, 1954. AARON H. LEVIN, her husband, is the subject of closed file NY 100-114456.

On 10/26/55, CONNIE BART left her residence at 9:30 A.M., and travelled via IRT Subway to 6 East 17th Street, wherein are located the offices of Civil Rights Congress.

On 10/27/55, DOROTHY LEVIN was observed to leave her residence at 7:40 A.M., and travel via IRT Subway to Franklin Stores, Inc., 320 W. 31st Street, New York City, where she is employed.

On 10/28/55, PHIL BART was observed to leave his residence at 10 P.M., and travel via IRT Subway to vicinity of CP Headquarters where fisur was dropped in the interests of security.

1- NY 100-114456 (AARON H. LEVIN) (20-11)  
1- NY 100- (DOROTHY LEVIN) (20-11)  
1- NY 100-12959 (CONNIE BART) (19)

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TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-56579)

DATE: 11/8/55

FROM : SA JOHN DENNIS O'CONNELL (#19)

SUBJECT: PHILLIP BART  
IS-C, SA-40

On 11/3 and 11/4/55, NY 1637-S\* made available information in the possession of PHILLIP BART and his wife, CONSTANCE BART. The information obtained by this informant included various notes, memoranda, letters, etc., in their possession which contained information dealing with the financial structure of the national office of the Communist Party for the first six months of 1955, as well as information concerning the national CP organization and the Negro policies of the Communist Party for the coming year.

The information included recent letters from JACK KLING, prominent CP Underground functionary, and an individual named MORRIS. The information also reflected the names and addresses of several individuals who may possibly be engaged in Communist Underground apparatus work.

There were also obtained through this informant numerous financial statements concerning the contributions made by various states to the national CP as well as the national circulation and returns of the "Daily Worker". The information also included data concerning the registration and membership drives of the Communist Party as well as topics that were to be discussed at forthcoming CP club and board meetings.

- 1 - NY 100-96985 (CP, USA, UG) (#19)
- 1 - NY 100-12959 (CONNIE BART) (#19)
- 1 - NY 100-19249 (JACK KLING) (#19)

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-56579) (7-5)

DATE: 11/15/55

FROM : SA ROBERT J. LAWSON

SUBJECT: PHILLIP BART, was.  
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On 11/3&4/55, NY 1637-S\* furnished this office with approximately 200 photographs of material in the possession of PHIL and CONSTANCE BART, 2415 Newkirk Ave., Brooklyn, NY.

The original negatives of these photographs are being maintained as serial 1848 of instant file.

1 - NY 100-12959 (CONNIE BART) (19)

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-66211) (7-5)

MARTHA STONE  
IS-C

Identity of Informant:  
Reliability:

NY 1475-S\*  
Who is in a position to furnish  
reliable information concerning  
activities at CP National  
Headquarters, 268 7th Ave.,  
NYC  
10/13/55

Date:

NY 1475-S\* advised that on 10/13/55, MARTHA STONE,  
at CP National Headquarters, stated that PHIL BART had had  
a heart attack.

In the event it becomes necessary to disseminate  
this information care should be taken to protect the  
informant's identity.

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- 1 - New Haven (100-14795)(MARTHA STONE)  
1 - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART)(#19)

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SAC, Indianapolis (61-55)

PHILIP BART, was.  
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Enclosed is a self-explanatory memorandum of  
SA [redacted] Indianapolis, dated October 20, 1955.  
The confidential source has in the past furnished some  
information concerning the subject of this communication,  
and is no longer utilized by this office.

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TO : SAC New York (100-27149) DATE: 11-4-55

FROM : SA JPM Crumich #19

SUBJECT: Harold Klein was  $\frac{1}{2}$   
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During the course of a surveillance in the vicinity of 111 E. Houston St. N.Y. on 10-28-55 by SA JPM Crumich & Edward J. Libbey,

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and John T. O'Shaughnessy

The subject was observed to meet Lil Gates at 7<sup>00</sup> PM on the southwest corner of E. Houston St and Second Ave. N.Y. and at 7<sup>05</sup> PM both were observed to enter the building at 111 E Houston St N.Y.

at 7<sup>03</sup> PM on 10-28-55, Phil Bart and

JPM

- Dec Phil Bart (100-56579) (7-5)
- 1-cc Lil Gates (100-24448) (7-6)
- 1-cc N.Y. State CP (100-26603) (12-14)

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An unknown subject described as W, F, 5' 10 1/2 pounds were observed walking on E. Houston St and entering the building at 111 E Houston St NYC.

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[redacted] of the National Theatre Building 111 E Houston St NYC advised SA Edward J. Gallagher that a woman having a physical description bearing a resemblance to that of Lil Gates appeared to be a representative of an organization identified as the Retail Clerks and/or Rover Society. [redacted] advised that this organization has held its meetings at the above address on 7 prior occasions in 1955.

It is to be noted that NY 1622-S\* has advised that the East Side Circle Club, a group comprising the NY State Board has met at 111 E. Houston St NYC on 10/12, 26/55 and 11-9-55.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM -- UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, New York  
(100-18671) (7-5)

DATE: November 15, 1955

FROM : SAC, Detroit (100-15793)

SUBJECT: SAUL WELLMAN  
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Reference New York letter dated October 20,  
1955.

For the information of the New York and other offices receiving copies of instant letter, the following is being set forth concerning information furnished by NY-1475-S\* on August 16, 1955. NY-1475-S\* is in a position to furnish reliable information concerning National Headquarters, CP, USA, 268 Seventh Avenue, New York City.

It is believed that the female who PHIL BART quoted as saying, "I don't know what has been going on for the last four or five years. In 1950 I was a wife of a defendant," is HELEN WINTER, wife of CARL WINTER who was convicted for violation of the Smith Act in 1950, and who herself was convicted for violation of the Smith Act on February 16, 1954.

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cc: (6) - New York (REGISTERED)

- 1-100-56579 (PHIL BART) (19)
- 1-100-80641 (CP, USA ORGANIZATION) (12-4)
- 1-100-51955 (SAM COLEMAN) (7-5)
- 1-100-98699 (CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT) (7-5)
- 1-100-66211 (MARTHA STONE) (7-5)
- 1-100-18673 (GEORGE WATT) (19)
- 1 - Chicago (61-867, CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT) REGISTERED
- 1 - Newark (100-2974, MARTHA STONE) REGISTERED
- 1 - New Haven (100-14795, MARTHA STONE) REGISTERED
- 1 - San Francisco (100-37515, SAM COLEMAN) REGISTERED
- 4 - Detroit
  - 1-100-2050 (CP, USA ORGANIZATION)
  - 1-100-24217 (UNSUB, wa. Ted)
  - 1-100-1526 (HUGO BEISWENGER)
  - 1-100-13740 (HELEN WINTER)

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Letter to SAC, New York

Re: SAUL WELLMAN  
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Page two, paragraph two of referenced letter concerns comments made by PHIL BART concerning a meeting which was apparently held in Detroit and which was attended by SAM, BART, CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT, and others. It is believed that the SAM mentioned by BART is SAM KUSHNER who was present at a meeting held at the residence of SAUL WELLMAN from June 21, 1955, until June 24, 1955. It was noted that SAM KUSHNER departed Detroit on June 24, 1955, at 12:01 PM for Chicago) CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT departed at 3:00 PM on June 24, 1955, for Chicago and PHIL BART departed on June 25, 1955, at 4:45 PM for Chicago. It is noted that the order in which those individuals left agrees with information furnished by the informant and contained in paragraph two, page two; however, the times of departures vary with that given by the informant.

It is noted that CG-5824-S previously advised that a CP National Commission Organization was going to meet in Detroit during the above period to review all phases of CP organization and other matters pertaining to the Detroit District of the CP, and SAM KUSHNER would be present.

HUGO mentioned on page three, paragraph one, is believed to be identical with HUGO BEISWENGER, a former functionary in CP, USA District 7.

It is noted that New York designated a copy of referenced letter to Detroit for TED LNU. An examination of referenced letter fails to reflect any information concerning TED LNU. Inasmuch as Unknown Subject TED is presently the Subject of an investigation in Detroit, New York is requested to review the information furnished by NY-1475-S\* and furnish any information which may pertain to TED.

New York is requested to furnish copies to Detroit for inclusion in Detroit files which have been listed.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : SAC, CHICAGO  
FROM : SAC, NEW HAVEN (100-11181)  
SUBJECT: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF  
THE RAILROAD INDUSTRY  
INTERNAL SECURITY - C  
OO: CHICAGO

DATE: SEP 26 1955

On August 19, 1955 SA THURL STALNAKER received a written report from [redacted] concerning a meeting at the home of [redacted]. The original of this written report is located in New Haven file [redacted]

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The informant's written report is set forth as follows:



TS/lrf

cc: (2) Chicago (1) OTTO WANGERIN

(1) FNU [redacted]

(4) New York

(GEORGE HOLT, PHIL BART, GEORGE WATT)

(3) Boston (1)

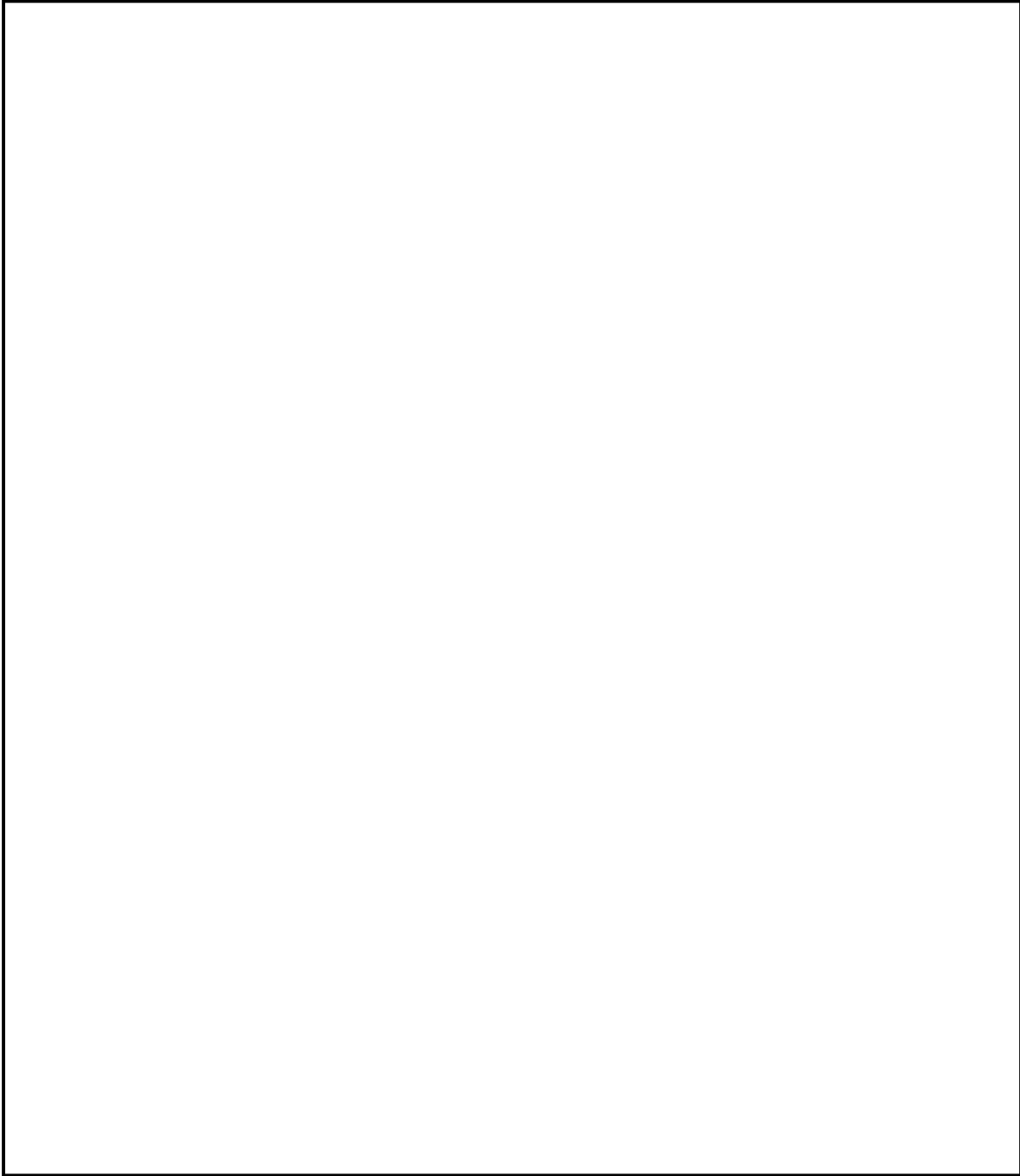
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"/s/

NH 100-11181

Chicago is requested to supply any information in their possession concerning OTTO WANGERIN which would be of assistance in the handling of the above named informant.

Chicago is further requested, provided FNU  can be identified, to supply background information on him plus any other pertinent information available which might be of assistance in the future handling of this informant.

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Offices receiving copies of this memorandum in the event reporting information contained herein, are requested to carefully paraphrase the same in order to protect the identity of the informant who is believed to be one of the few individuals having access to much of the information set out herein.

SAC, NEW YORK (100-21259) (12-16)

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MAX GORDON  
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NY 693-S\* advised that on 7/22/55, MAC (believed to be MAX GORDON) contacted PHIL (believed to be PHIL BART). PHIL said that he heard from the guy MAC called last night and has spoken to the same person "about this thing" and worked out something but not for right away. MAC wanted to take up some other matter with PHIL at that time. MAC said that "she" is not in New Jersey, but is in Spring Valley in a hospital. MAC agrees to see PHIL at 11 a.m. that day.

1-NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) (7-1)

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TO SAC, NEW YORK/100-56579 DATE: 11/10/55  
 FROM SA HOWARD G. KINNALLY  
 SUBJECT: PHILIP BART  
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Subject was observed leaving and/or entering  
 268 - 7th Ave., NYC, the address of CP, USA Headquarters  
 and the New York State CP Headquarters.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Observed by</u>	<u>Time In</u>	<u>Time Out</u>
10/31/55	MAURICE T. BOWMAN HOWARD G. KINNALLY	AM PM AM PM	AM PM AM PM
11/1/55	MAURICE T. BOWMAN WILLIAM J. KENNEDY	AM PM AM PM	AM <del>106</del> PM AM PM
11/2/55	MAURICE T. BOWMAN HOWARD G. KINNALLY	AM PM AM PM	AM PM AM PM
11/3/55	MAURICE T. BOWMAN HOWARD G. KINNALLY	AM PM AM PM	AM PM AM PM
11/4/55	ROBERT H. BERTKE HOWARD G. KINNALLY	AM PM AM PM	AM PM AM PM

A log covering the above surveillance is being  
 maintained in NY file 100-4931-sub O.

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*W. H. ...*

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK/100-56579 DATE: 11/10/55  
FROM : SA HOWARD G. KINNALLY  
SUBJECT: PHILIP BART, was.  
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Submitted as an exhibit is ~~are~~ one photograph-s of subject taken as subject was about to enter-leave 268 7th Ave., NYC, the address of headquarters for the CP, USA and NY State CP.

Date photo taken: 11/ / /55  
Source making identification: HOWARD G. KINNALLY  
Agent who took photo: HOWARD G. KINNALLY  
MAURICE T. BOWMAN

Location of photographic plant: 170 W. 25 St., NYC,  
3rd floor

Location of negative: NY 100-4931, exhibit No. 1A-581

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Exposure: 17

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : SAC, NEW YORK 100-56579 DATE: 11/14/55

FROM : SA ROBERT H. BERTKE

SUBJECT: PHIL BART  
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Subject was observed leaving and/or entering 260 - 7th Ave., NYC, the address of CP, USA Headquarters and the New York State CP Headquarters.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Observed by</u>	<u>Time In</u>	<u>Time Out</u>
11/7/55	[Redacted] ROBERT H. BERTKE	AM PM AM PM	AM PM AM PM
11/8/55	MARVIN R. DORAN ROBERT H. BERTKE	AM 12:08 PM AM PM	AM PM AM PM
11/9/55	MARVIN R. DORAN ROBERT H. BERTKE	AM PM AM PM	AM 1:22 PM AM PM
11/10/55	[Redacted] ROBERT H. BERTKE	10:23 AM 2:10 PM AM PM	AM 12:24 PM AM 3:20 PM

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A log covering the above surveillance is being maintained in NY file 100-4931-Sub O.

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*[Handwritten signatures and initials]*



DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-94)  
ATT: ASST. DIR. A, H. BELMONT

11/9/55

SAC, NEW YORK (100-96985)

CP, USA, UNDERGROUND OPERATIONS  
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On 11/3 and 4/55, NY 1637-S\* made available information currently in the possession of PHILLIP BART and his wife, CONSTANCE BART, both prominent functionaries at the National Office of the Communist Party, USA, and former functionaries of the CP Underground Apparatus.

Included among the material furnished by NY 1637-S\* were the following memoranda:

- (1) "Six Months Statement", listing by districts the apparent number of members making dues payments in the various geographical districts. (Attachment #1)
- (2) "Outline plan for Industrial Concentration Club", setting forth the plan to set up CP clubs and recruiting new CP members in the various industries and trade unions in general. (Attachment #2)
- (3) "Proposals on Southern Party Organization - '55 - '56", setting forth the plan of the Communist Party concerning the re-organization of the Party in the South. (Attachment #3)
- (4) "Emmett Louis Till Lynching", setting forth the proposals of the Communist Party's campaign to exert pressures against the Eisenhower Administration and Attorney General Brownell to intervene in the matter. (Attachment #4)

The foregoing attachments are being forwarded to the Bureau for its information and for the information of the Research Desk at the Bureau. All of the information from NY 1637-S\* will be disseminated immediately to the pertinent New York files and the Bureau and interested offices will be advised of all pertinent developments.

Attachments-4

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1 - Bufile 100-3-69 (CP ORGANIZATION)  
1 - Bufile 100-3-68 (CP MEMBERSHIP)  
1 - Bufile 100-3-89 (STRATEGY IN  
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1 - NY 100-80641 (CP ORGANIZATION)  
1 - NY 100-80638 (CP MEMBERSHIP)  
1 - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART)  
1 - NY 100-12959 (CONNIE BART)  
1 - NY 100-89990 (STRATEGY IN  
INDUSTRY)

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(100-20649)  
 (EDWARD STRONG)  
 (100-56579)  
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 (100-31752 Sub 13)  
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EDWARD EUGENE STRONG, was.  
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PHILIP BART, was.  
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Re NY airtel 11/10/55.

Bulet to PH 2/23/55 instructed that Locom airtels were to be submitted monthly re whereabouts of both EDWARD STRONG and PHILIP BART. PH has been submitting Locom on the 21st of the month.

MC CAFF

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 (3-NY, 3-PH)

100-7800 (EDWARD STRONG)  
 100-22157 (PHILIP BART)

CC: PH 100-30938 Sub L (COMPHOS, PH)

100-56579-1359

RE: [illegible]

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Transmit the following message via AIR-TEL

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From SAC, PHILADELPHIA (100-22157)

To: SAC, NEW YORK

PHILIP BART  
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PH-83-S\*, who has furnished reliable info in the past, advised on 11/14/55 that according to BENJAMIN WEISS, current Functionary of the CP, EPD, PHIL from New York is coming to PH on Thanksgiving Day, 11/24/55. PHIL from New York is believed to be PHILIP BART. PH will cover through established sources.

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 Special Agent in Charge

SAC, NEW YORK (100-81675)(12-14)

11/17/55

SA JAMES E. REILLY

CP, USA, PAMPHLETS AND PUBLICATIONS  
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Identity of Informant

NY 1474-S\*

Reliability of Informant

Who is in a position to furnish reliable information concerning activities at NY State CP Headquarters, 268 Seventh Ave., NYC.

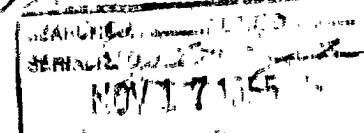
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NY 1474-S\* advised that on 10/7/55, NELLIE (believed to be LEON NELSON), at NY State CP Headquarters, discussed the plans for the press drive. He said that according to the active plan, the press drive was to "kick off" nationally on 12/1/55. He said, however, that this date had been set many months previously and he had spoken with PHIL (believed to be PHIL BART) about the possibility of postponing the date only because it was possible that they had not estimated too accurately how far advanced they would be on registrations. He said that since they were only at approximately 1/3 of the mark taking the figure of the registration generally, if they were to get underway with the press drive on 12/1/55, it would be necessary to introduce the matter into the party bodies in the State somewhere around 11/1/55. This would constitute the opening up of one drive right into the other, at least by way of preparation. NELLIE said that one or two Organizational Secretaries had raised the question of working out some kind of an approach which would do away with the drive because the drive would come right into the <sup>2</sup> mist of the opening of the State Legislature and the next session of Congress. According

- 1 - NY 100-63755 (LEON NELSON)(7-5)
- 1 - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART)(19)
- 1 - NY 100-21259 (MAC GORDON)(12-16)
- 1 - NY 100-319 (BOB APPEL)(20-10)
- 1 - NY 100-50806 (GEORGE BLAKE CHARNEY)(7-5)
- 1 - NY 100-80638 (CP, USA, MEMBERSHIP)(12-14)

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NY 100-81675

11/17/55

to NELLIE, these press drives carried the feature of tying up the whole party achievement, so that if there was a possibility of doing away with the hectic features of the drive, it would ease matters. Accordingly, NELLIE offered the proposal that one or two comrades could meet with MAC (believed to be MAC GORDON), BOB (believed to be BOB APPEL), and himself and explore the possibility of doing away with a hectic two month or six week drive in favor of, perhaps, a drive which had a year round aspect to it.

In answer to the question of a man believed to be GEORGE BLAKE CHARNEY, NELLIE agreed that they would furnish another report at the staff meeting based on some understanding which he would reach with MAC GORDON and the National Office.

SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603)

11/18/55

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CP, USA, DISTRICT #2  
NEW YORK FIELD DIVISION

On 11/2/55, a fleur was conducted by the writer in the vicinity of the Jefferson School of Social Science (JSSS), West 16th St. and 6th Ave, NYC, from 9:30 - 11:10 a.m. NY 1474-B\* advised during late 10/55 that a meeting of NY CP Organization Secretaries would be held on 11/2/55, at the JSSS, at 10:00 a.m. The following individuals were observed entering the JSSS:

10:05 a.m. Individual believed to be PHIL BART.  
10:15 a.m. ROSA KLEIN  
10:25 a.m. HERBERT WHEELDIN  
10:30 a.m. Individual believed to be JULIAN LOWITT.  
10:35 a.m. Individual believed to be BERNARD FRIEDLAND.

At 10:10 a.m. GEORGE BLAKE CHARNEY was observed by writer at the southwest corner, West 16th St. and 6th Ave., but it is not known if he entered the JSSS.

Identification of BART, LOWITT and FRIEDLAND is based upon examination by the writer of photographs of these individuals.

Approximately 12 other unidentified individuals were observed entering JSSS during the period of this surveillance.

1 - NY 100-26603 C-40 (BRONX CO. CP)(20-16)  
1 - NY 100-26603 C-41 (QUEENS CO. CP)(20-12)  
1 - NY 100-26603 C-42 (NY CO. CP)(12-14)  
1 - NY 100-26603 C-43 (KING'S CO. CP)(20-11)  
100-56579 (PHIL BART)(7-5)  
100-50804 (ROSA KLEIN)(12-14)  
100-26066 (BERNARD FRIEDLAND)(7-6)  
100-9308 (HERBERT WHEELDIN)(12-16)  
100-80398 (JULIAN LOWITT)(20-11)  
100-50806 (GEORGE CHARNEY)(7-5)  
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ReBulet to Philadelphia, 2/23/55, instructing that  
monthly Locom airtels re whereabouts of PHILIP BART be  
submitted.

Surveillance by NYO agents on 11/18/55 reflected  
that BART continues to reside in Apt. 40 at 2415 Newkirk Avenue,  
Brooklyn, NY. NY 1475-S\* advises that BART continues to appear  
daily at CP Headquarters, 268 7th Avenue, NYC, NY.

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4- Bureau (100-3-74 Sub 42) (Locom) (RM)

(1- 100-3284) (PHILIP BART) (RM)

① NY (100-56579) ~~Sub 42~~ (Locom) (Philip BART) - (7-5)

1- Supervisor Neagle (7-5)

~~1- NY (100-81752)~~

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① NY (100-81752 Sub 13) (Locom)

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK 100-56579 DATE: 11/21/55  
 FROM : SA MAURICE T. BOWMAN  
 SUBJECT: PHIL BART

Subject was observed leaving and/or entering 266 - 7th Ave., NYC, the address of CP, USA Headquarters and New York State CP Headquarters.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Observed by</u>	<u>Time In</u>	<u>Time Out</u>
11/14/55	MAURICE T. BOWMAN [Redacted]	AM PM AM PM	AM PM AM PM
11/15/55	MAURICE T. BOWMAN [Redacted]	AM PM AM PM	AM PM AM PM
11/16/55	MAURICE T. BOWMAN MICHAEL D. MC NAMARA	AM PM AM PM	AM PM AM PM
11/17/55	MAURICE T. BOWMAN MICHAEL D. MC NAMARA	AM PM AM PM	AM PM AM PM
11/18/55	MAURICE T. BOWMAN MICHAEL D. MC NAMARA	AM 2:59 PM AM PM	AM 3:01 PM AM PM

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A log covering the above surveillance is being maintained in NY file 100-4931-Sub O.

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-56579)

PHILLIP BART, was

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*FX* On 11/3 and 4/55 NY 1637-S\* furnished information in the possession of PHIL BART, a prominent functionary at the National Office of CP, USA, and a former functionary of the CP Underground apparatus.

NY 1637-S\* advised that the name, M. GORDON, phone Lakewood 6-1629W1, was currently listed in PHIL BART's personal phone book.

Newark is requested to identify the subscriber to Lakewood 6-1629W1.

Care should be taken to protect the identity of this highly confidential source should the foregoing information be disseminated outside of the Bureau.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-56579)

FROM : *ERN* SA EUGENE R. NOBLE

SUBJECT: PHILIP BART  
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DATE: 11/17/55

The following is a current documentation for PHILIP BART:

The "Daily Worker", an East Coast Communist newspaper issue of 12/5/50, reveals PHILIP BART is the general manager of the "Daily Worker".

In January, 1946, the Headquarters of the CP, USA, in NYC, published a booklet, entitled, "On the Struggle Against Revisionism". This booklet was prepared by the National Veterans Committee of the CP for free distribution to Communist ex-servicemen of World War II. On the third page of this booklet, the name PHIL BART appeared among the names of the members of the National Committee of the CP. On the same page he was listed as a member of the National Cadre and Review Commission of the CP. (Source anonymous).

T-1, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on 4/5/55 that PHIL BART is currently in charge of organizational and financial operations of the CP, USA, and on 6/3/55, advised that BART continues to be National Organizational Secretary of the CP, USA.

T-2, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on 4/20/55 that BART is a member of the National Administrative Committee of the CP, USA. T-2 has identified the NAC as the current policy making committee of the "open" organization of the CP.

The Communist Party, USA, has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

T-1 NY 694-S\*  
T-2 NY 1475-S\*.

Careful consideration has been given to each concealed source, and T symbols were utilized in this letter only in those instances where the identities of the sources must be concealed.

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SA RICHARD A. DONOVAN

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On 11/3 and 4/55 NY 1637-S\* furnished material in the possession of PHILIP BART, national organizational secretary of the CP, USA. Among this material was a 25 page memorandum entitled, "Report by PHIL." This report is a detailed analysis of Party organization. This report is attached.

Extreme care should be exercised in the event information furnished by informant is disseminated outside of the Bureau.

The original photographs are being retained as exhibits in NY 100-56579.

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CP, USA, ORGANIZATION  
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On 11/3 and 4/55 NY 1637-S\* furnished material in the possession of PHILIP and CONSTANCE BART, both prominent functionaries of the National Office of the CP, USA, and both former national functionaries of the CP Underground apparatus. Included among this material is a ten page typewritten memorandum entitled, "Organization." This memorandum is apparently a discussion between "PHIL" and "DICK". "PHIL" is believed to be PHIL BART and "DICK" is believed to be JACK KLING, former national functionary in the CP Underground. It is believed that this memo was prepared sometime early in 1955 when both PHIL BART and JACK KLING were active in the CP Underground apparatus. This memo, furnished by informant, is herewith attached.

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The original photographs are being retained as exhibits in NY 100-56579.

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- ① - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) (#7-5)
- 1 - NY 100-19249 (JACK KLING) (#19)

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TO : SAC, NY (100-56579) (#7-5)

FROM : SA ROBERT J. LAWSON

SUBJECT: PHILLIP BART, was  
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DATE: 11/18/55

On 11/3/55 NY 1637-S\* furnished information in possession of PHIL BART, a prominent functionary at the National Office of CP, USA, and a former Underground functionary of the CP.

NY 1637-S\* furnished a letter from CG 5824-S to PHIL BART inquiring as to BART's recovery after a heart attack. In the letter CG 5824-S advised BART that he had been in contact with JACK K. (KLING) who would probably be in touch with BART in the immediate future and further that CG 5824-S and BART would be able to effect a December meeting. In the letter CG 5824-S also referred to the fact that he had several conversations with MAX W. (WEISS), and that the raising of the bail for WEISS has proved very difficult; however, that a bond reduction hearing for WEISS is scheduled to come up in court for a ruling on 12/6/55.

The original photograph of this letter and the envelope in which it was enclosed have been forwarded to the Chicago Office.

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- 1 - NY 100-18672 (MAX WEISS) (#19)
- 1 - NY 100-19249 (JACK KLING) (#19)

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TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-56579)7-5

FROM : ROBERT J. LAWSON, SA

SUBJECT: PHILLIP BART, was  
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DATE: 11/18/55

On 11/3,4/55 NY 1637-S\* furnished this office material in the possession of PHIL and CONNIE BART, both prominent functionaries at the National Office, CP, USA, and both former functionaries of the CP underground apparatus.

NY 1637-S\* furnished photographs of two letters to SOPHIE STEIN. Letter #1 was from BELFRIDGE dated 8/18/55 postmarked 8/29/55 at NY and is as follows:

"R.M.S. Nieuw Amsterdam  
Aug 18

"Dear Mrs Steinberg:

"Sidney gave me your address, but I cannot find it so send this to Blanch Freedman to forward. All my papers were gone through by two different men when I left and maybe it got taken out, who knows why...or more probably it has just got lost in the mad shuffle of our effects here on board.

"Our friends have given us a fabulous send-off and we leave with a feeling of many, many unbreakable bonds. I have in me a special feeling about Sidney whose wisdom in many things I respect deeply and whose conduct in his long confinement I shall always think of as exemplary. I am afraid I have to agree with him that the end for him is still a long way off; but I am quite sure that destiny has great things in store for him which will make us all proud to be his friends, and also has in store eventually, after the long ordeal, much happiness for you and him and the family. I only wish that more people in the progressive movement could be brought to understand the nature of the ordeal that he and others and all of their families are enduring for the

- 1 - NY 100-94477 (SOPHIE STEIN)(Encs.3)12-10
- 1 - NY 100-95067 (CEDRICK BELFRIDGE)12-14
- 1 - NY 100-102359 (BLANCHE FRIEDMAN)12-16

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rest of us. Though my confinement has been a mere picnic by comparison I hope it has helped me to understand this better than I could have done otherwise, If it has, I cannot regret it.

"I would like to be kept informed on developments in his case, and perhaps you will have time to send me some news and/or clips every now and again. I will be ready to do whatever I can in partibus infidelium. I send you both from mid-Atlantic the affectionate and admiring thoughts and wishes of my wife and myself.

"Most sincerely,

"Cedrick Belfridge"

Letter #2 dated September 23, 1955, from the Bureau of Prisons, is as follows:

"Mrs. Sophie Steinberg  
1161 Shakespeare Avenue  
Bronx 52, New York

"Dear Mrs. Steinberg:

"I have your recent letter telling of your father-in-law's critical condition and requesting that your husband, Sidney Steinberg, be given permission to visit him at home.

"While I understand the desire which prompts this request, I am unable to comply at this time. As you know, Mr. Steinberg is temporarily confined at the Federal Detention Headquarters in New York City on a Writ of Habeas Corpus and Prosequendum and until disposition has been made of the case, we cannot give consideration to this request for a bedside visit.

"Yours sincerely,

"JAMES V. BENNETT  
Director"

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Photographs of both letters are being retained in the STEIN file (NY 100-94477).

The original negatives of the letters are being retained as exhibits of the BART file (NY 100-56579). 1348

If any of the foregoing information is to be disseminated outside the Bureau, care should be taken to protect the identity of this highly confidential source.



## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-56579) (#7-5)      DATE: 11/18/55

FROM : SA RICHARD A. DONOVAN

SUBJECT: PHILIP BART, was  
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On 11/3 and 4/55 NY 1637-S\* furnished material in the possession of PHILIP BART, national organizational secretary of CP, USA. Included among this material was a copy of a court order issued by the City Court of NY, County of Kings, reflecting that PHILIP BART on 1/18/41 was granted a change of name from PHILIP BEHAL to PHILIP BART. This order consists of 6 photographs which are attached.

Extreme care should be exercised in the event information furnished by informant is disseminated outside of the Bureau.

The original photographs are being retained as exhibits in NY 100-56579.

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CITY COURT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK. COUNTY OF KINGS

In the Matter of the Application of

PHILIP BERAL

for leave to change his name to

PHILIP BART.

copy

O R D E R

SOL. H. COHN

Attorney for Petitioner

Office and Post Office Address

100 Fifth Avenue

Borough of Manhattan, N.Y.C.

To

Attorney for

, Esq.

Due and proper service of a copy of the within

is hereby admitted

Dated, New York,

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Attorney for

ct. # 175102-36579.1369

At a Special Term, Part II, of the  
City Court of the City of New York,  
County of Kings, at the Court House,  
Schomhorn and Smith Streets, Bar-  
rough of Brooklyn, City of New York,  
on the 4th day of December, 1940.

PRESENT:

Hon. Joseph V. Callagher,  
Justice.

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In the Matter of the Application

of

PHILIP BERAL

for leave to change his name to

PHILIP BART.  
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On reading and filing the petition of Philip Beral,  
verified the 10th day of November, 1940, praying for leave  
to assume the name of Philip Bart in place and instead of  
his present name, and it appearing from the said petition,  
~~and the court being~~ satisfied that there is no reasonable  
objection to the change of name proposed:

Now, therefore, on motion of Sol. M. Cohn, attor-  
ney for the said petitioner, it is

ORDERED that the said Philip Beral be, and he  
hereby is, authorized to assume the name of Philip Bart in  
place and stead of his present name, on the 14th day of

Joseph V. Gallagher,

Justice.

In the Matter of the Application

of

PHILIP BERAL

for leave to change his name to

PHILIP BART.

On reading and filing the petition of Philip Beral, verified the 19th day of November, 1940, praying for leave to assume the name of Philip Bart in place and instead of his present name, and it appearing from the said petition, and the court being satisfied that there is no reasonable objection to the change of name proposed:

Now, therefore, on motion of Sol. H. Cohn, attorney for the said petitioner, it is

ORDERED that the said Philip Beral be, and he hereby is, authorized to assume the name of Philip Bart in place and stead of his present name, on the 14th day of January, 1941, upon his complying with the provisions of Article 6 of the Civil Rights Law, namely: that the petitioner cause this order and the papers upon which it was granted to be filed in the office of the clerk of this court within ten days from the date hereof, and that within ten days from

the date hereof, and that within ten days from the date of entry of said order the petitioner cause a copy thereof to be published in the Citizen, a newspaper published in Kings County, and within forty days after the making of this order proof of such publication by affidavit be filed and recorded in the office of the Clerk of the City Court of the City of New York, Kings County and after such requirements are complied with the said petitioner, Philip Beral, shall be deemed to have satisfied the requirements after the 14th day of January, 1941, be known

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In P. Philip Beral  
vs  
Philip Beral

Clerk's Office,  
City Court of The City of New York

I, HARRY C. PERRY, Clerk of the City Court of The City of New York, having compared the annexed Order

in the above-entitled action, with the original on file in this office, do certify that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereto subscribed my name and affixed the Seal of the City Court of The City of New York, this 15th day of January, 1941.  
Harry C. Perry Clerk

the date hereof, and that within ten days from the date of entry of said order the petitioner cause a copy thereof to be published in the Citizen, a newspaper published in Kings County, and within forty days after the making of this order proof of such publication by affidavit be filed and recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the City Court of the City of New York, Kings County and after such requirements are complied with the said petitioner, Philip Beral, shall on and after the 14th day of January, 1941, be known as and by the name of Philip Burt which he hereby is authorized to assume and by no other name.

Enter.

J.V.C.

Joseph V. Gallagher  
J.C.C.

Joseph V. Gallagher,

Justice.

SAC, NY (100-96985) (#12-14)

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SA RICHARD A. DONOVAN

CP, USA, UNDERGROUND OPERATIONS  
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On 11/3 and 4/55 NY 1637-S\* furnished material in the possession of PHILIP BART and his wife, CONSTANCE, both prominent functionaries of the National Office of the CP, USA, and both former functionaries of the CP Underground apparatus on the national level. Included among this material is a two page typewritten letter dated 6/9/55. This letter begins "Dear PHIL" and ends "With Best Personal Regards, D".

"D" is believed to stand for "DICK," the name used by JACK KLING when he operated in the CP Underground. This letter, which is set out below in full, deals with KLING's evaluation of "NAT" (CONNIE BART's Underground name) as an Underground functionary.

"June 9, 1955

"Dear Phil;

"In this letter I want to write to you about Nat's release from her present assignment and pose to you the question of her reassignment to a new phase of work. You should discuss this note at least with Martha and also with Claude if possible.

"As of July first Nat is being released from her present assignment. In this note I do not propose to attempt to make a full evaluation of Nat's work. I want to raise a number of central questions. In so doing I may omit some important points or not give the necessary emphasis to others. Therefore, again I want to make it clear that this is not a full rounded out evaluation.

"On a whole we have a very positive evaluation of Nat. This is shared by all the comrades with whom I had an opportunity to discuss. This does include V. We felt that from the moment she worked with our committee, first on

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- 1 - NY 100-12959 (CONNIE BART) (#19)
- 1 - NY 100-19249 (JACK KLING) (#19)

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"a part time basis and later on a full time basis, she took the assignment very seriously and gave all she had within her. She placed herself fully at the disposal of the Party, irregardless of how difficult the specific phases of the assignment may have been at times. She displayed a great amount of initiative in the work. In a rounded out estimate we would have to conclude that whatever set up we were able to create here, not withstanding difficulties and problems, was largely due to Nat\_\_ role.

"In our relationship with Nat we did incur at times some serious problems. Most of these were our responsibility, Let me cite just one of these. While Nat did her best in her assignment, she was not happy in the assignment. This of course has been a problem with most comrades envolved in that type of work. One of the main reasons contributing to her unhappiness was the fact that she was not fully envolved and integrated in political work. Most of her work, while constituting a job of first political importance, was relegated to techenical work, getting this and that done etc. We must confess that although we tried to solve the matter, we were not fully successful and the responsibility rests with us.

"In addition I would say Nat displayed some serious weaknesses in her work. These have been discussed with Nat and should be understood by the Ad. Comm., so that the new assignment can contribute overcoming them. Let me just cite a few.

"Nat has displayed a great deal of subjectivity in her work. All of us I am sure in various degress suffer from a subjective approach at times. This is also true of myself. However, Nat I feel has displayed more than her share. At times it influenced her approach towards criticism and self criticism, it showed itself in many many ways. I am sure Nat can herself relate examples of this. It should also be said that especially in this last period, in my opinion, Nat has



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"made some serious efforts to understand the nature of this problem and overcome it.

"It should also be noted, that at certain times, when Nat was confronted with some very difficult problems, and when she was under great strain, she did display tendencies of panic. This did not occur too often to warrant a characterization that she is a panic type of a person. But it's important to bear this in mind, as it should influence the assignment from the point of view of aiding Nat meet this problem. I am not so sure as to whether Nat will agree with the above, but it is my opinion.

"Nat in my opinion suffers from another problem which she does not openly discuss, but if it's true we should face it. Nat is a very capable woman comrade. She is a leading cadre of ours. She has had very important responsibility in a number of districts. However, she feels (it is my own opinion) that she could handle greater responsibility than at times is given her. And it seems to me that what bothers her, is something that has bothered so many other comrades, where we have husband and wife both leading people, in most cases the wife has to pull back. I may be wrong on this matter but I do feel it is on her mind.

"Now as to what to assign Nat to. This has to be handled by the Org. Dep't. I do not think we should break up the family, that is Phil & Connie. If that was not a question, I would not hesitate to suggest Nat for assignments in some of the key concentration districts of the midwest or in a leading position in some smaller district away from NY. I feel she would make a real contribution, and develop greater initiative and growth. So in my judgment that's out. Therefore it should be in New York or perhaps in N. J. Frankly if possible I would prefer NJ. New York has more forces. I also

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"Feel she would grow more rapidly in a place like NJ. I would not hesitate to suggest her perhaps as a start a section organizer or if necessary a county. Because of her isolation from the party for so long it seems to me it would be wisest to start a section if only for a few months. However it up entirely to the Org. Dep't.

"One final question, we have given her one months pay so that she can get settled. If she will be given a full time assignment then the body to whom she is assigned will take care of her. If not, then it seems to me that we, the Adm. committee should assume responsibility to maintain her until a solution is found in so far as a source of income. I am not raising this with you alone, Phil and I am directing this problem to the Adm Committee.

"With best personal regards,

"/s/ D"

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The original photographs are being retained as exhibits in NY 100-56579.

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## OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (100-3-69) DATE: November 22, 1955

FROM : SAC, Detroit (100-2050)

SUBJECT: CP, USA ORGANIZATION  
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Re Detroit Teletype to Director and SACS New York and Chicago, October 20, 1955 as captioned above.

CSDE-579-S\*, a source close to NAT GANLEY and who has furnished reliable information in the past, on August 31, and September 2, 1955, made available a 1955 diary possessed by GANLEY which contained an entry for September 30 reading "11 a.m. WALT; 2 p.m. - GIL - lobby - Det. Lel." This diary also contained an entry for Saturday, October 1, 1955, which reads as follows: "Sat. G.M. 10 a.m. Det. Lel. PAUL SIMON."

Information received from other sources reflected that a meeting of the National Auto Commission was held in Detroit on July 9 and 10, 1955, the meeting on July 10, 1955, being held at the Detroit Leland Hotel and being attended by a "WALT" and "GIL."

who has furnished reliable information in the past, on September 9, 1955, advised SA HAYES S. KING that a photograph of IRVING SAUL GILBERT appeared to be identical with the "GIL" or "IRV" who had attended a meeting of the National Auto Commission held in Detroit on July 9-10, 1955. b7D

Airtel from New York dated September 27, 1955 reflects that NY 1612-S\* advised that on September 24, 1955 a meeting of what appeared to be the National Trade Union Commission, CP, USA, had been held at the Hotel New Yorker and was attended by WALTER BARRY. NY 1612-S\* further advised that during the course of this meeting instructions were given to an unidentified individual to go to the Detroit Leland Hotel on Saturday, October 1, at 10 o'clock (a.m. or p.m. not given).

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2 - Bureau (RM)

- 1 - CP, USA Strategy in Industry (100-3-89)
- 1 - Cominfil - UAW - CIO (100-26844)

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- 1 - CP, USA Organization (100-80641)
- 1 - CP, USA Strategy in Industry (100-89590)
- 1 - Cominfil - UAW - CIO
- 1 - "GEORGE" (GEORGE WATT) (100-18673)
- 1 - WALTER BARRY
- 1 - [REDACTED] b6
- 1 - [REDACTED] b7C
- 1 - [REDACTED]
- 1 - "JIM" (JIM FABER) (100-37342)
- 1 - "BOB" (LNU)
- 1 - UNSUB; white male; attended CP Meeting, Detroit Leland Hotel, Detroit, Mich. 10/1/55
- 1 - "PHIL" (PHIL BART) (100-56579)

7 - Chicago (RM)

- 1 - CP, USA Organization (100-18953)
- 1 - CP, USA Strategy in Industry
- 1 - Cominfil - UAW - CIO
- 1 - "MILT" (MILTON BURNS)
- 1 - "FLO" (FLORENCE HALL)
- 1 - "HIL" (HILLIARD DAVID ELLIS)
- 1 - "VAVO" (GEORGE DOLPHUS VILLAVASO)

3 - Indianapolis (RM)

- 1 - CP, USA Organization (100-11093)
- 1 - CP, USA Strategy in Industry (100-8945)
- 1 - Cominfil - UAW - CIO

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- 1 - CP, USA Organization (100-17257)
- 1 - CP, USA Strategy in Industry
- 1 - Cominfil - UAW-CIO
- 1 - IRVING SAUL GILBERT

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- 1 - CP, USA Strategy in Industry (100-17161)
- 1 - Cominfil - UAW-CIO (100-6075)
- 1 - CP, USA Underground Operations (100-17226)
- 1 - NAT GANLEY (100-945)
- 1 - WALTER BARRY (100-24601)
- 1 - IRVING S. GILBERT (100-24646)
- 1 - PAUL GEORGE SIMON (100-18819)
- 1 - HELEN WINTER (100-13740)
- 1 - JIM FABER (100-21292)
- 1 - UNSUB; white male, attended CP meeting, Detroit Leland Hotel, 10/1/55 (100-24704)
- 1 - "BERNIE" (BERNARD BELLINSON) (100-19250)
- 1 - "DAVE" (DAVE MOORE) (100-13443)
- 1 - [REDACTED] (100-24400) b6 b7C

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At 10:34 a.m. on September 30, 1955, SAS JOHN M. FEENEY and JAMES C. HOLMES observed WALTER BARRY in the lobby of the Detroit Leland Hotel. At 1:18 p.m. on the same date BARRY was again observed in the lobby of the Detroit Leland Hotel by SAS FEENEY and HOLMES and it was subsequently established by these Agents that BARRY had indicated an interest via house phone for one PAUL SIMON and that he had been advised by hotel personnel that SIMON was registered in Room 924.

At 1:32 p.m. on September 30, 1955, NAT GANLEY was observed by SAS [redacted] and JOHN JOSEPH MONAGHAN to enter the Detroit Leland Hotel and take an elevator.

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Personnel at the hotel registration desk subsequently advised SAS HOLMES and FEENEY that an individual had registered for Room 924 in the name of PAUL SIMON at 12:00 noon on September 30, 1955, and that he registered the address 2020 E. 83rd Street, Cleveland, Ohio.

At 6:02 p.m. on September 30, 1955, BARRY and IRVING GILBERT were observed to depart the Detroit Leland Hotel together and proceed to a nearby restaurant. This activity was observed by SAS JOHN M. FEENEY, JAMES C. HOLMES, [redacted] JOHN JOSEPH MONAGHAN and JOHN W. MILLER. Surveillance by the same Agents established that BARRY and GILBERT subsequently returned to the Detroit Leland Hotel and entered Room 924.

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During the day on October 1, 1955, GANLEY was observed to enter the Detroit Leland Hotel in the morning and to proceed to Room 924 where he stayed for several hours.

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At 4:35 p.m. on October 1, 1955, BARRY and an unidentified white male were observed to depart from Room 924 where they subsequently met GANLEY on a downtown street corner for a few minutes. BARRY and the Unknown Subject subsequently proceeded to the Willow Run Airport at Ypsilanti, Michigan by Greyhound bus and were observed to board an American Air Lines Flight, non-stop, to New York City at 8:35 p.m.

Information concerning this departure, together with a description of the Unknown Subject, was telephonically furnished the New York Field Division.

The surveillance of BARRY and the Unknown Subject, from the time of their departure from the hotel to their arrival at Willow Run Airport and subsequent departure via plane, was conducted by SAS JOHN M. FEENEY, HARVEY V. PETERS, JOHN R. CLARKE, JR., JOHN JOSEPH MONAGHAN, and [redacted]

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New York will note that the description of the Unknown Subject, furnished telephonically, closely parallels the description of one "BOB" mentioned in Indianapolis letter to the Director, August 10, 1955, which concerned the meeting of the National Auto Commission of the CP held in Detroit on July 9, and 10, 1955.

The original registration card for Room 924 at the Detroit Leland Hotel in the name of PAUL SIMON is being photographed and a copy will be furnished to the FBI Laboratory for known handwriting comparison with GILBERT BARRY and appropriate sections of the National Security File.

It is to be further noted that this card bears the address of 2020 E. 83rd Street, Cleveland, Ohio.

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A review of the Cleveland Telephone Directory reflects that one IRVING S. GILBERT resides at 2050 E. 83rd Street, Cleveland. The Cleveland Directory does not contain any listing for PAUL SIMON on East 83rd Street.

The identifications of BARRY and GILBERT, while at the hotel, were made on the basis of photographs by SAS FEENEY, HOLMES, [REDACTED] MONAGHAN and MILLER.

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During the period September 30, to October 1, 1955, an anonymous source close to WALTER BARRY furnished material believed to be in possession of BARRY. Photographs of this material have been retained in Detroit File 100-2050-1B15. One set of these photographs numbered from 1 thru 119 are being furnished herewith to New York.

The numbers on these photographs correspond to the numbers placed on the set of photos which have been retained by the Bureau. A review of this material reflects in part a handprinted two-page document (photographs 28 and 31) captioned "Auto Commission Ju 9/55." This document reads as follows:

"Present: Sub for CHI; S.B. Fo ②, CLGH, GHNY, G,H,J,W

Agenda - Report -H; Org. Questions; Kohler;  
Election Attacks UAW.

Decisions:

① Report H - Approved, Fo ① Abstained. Did not hear report suggested comprehensive article RA.

② GH Steer Com - Oct 1 - Approved

③ E. Seaboard Sub Com - "

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- ④ Meetings with Dist. Bos. Proposed  
Mich, Ill; Wisc, Ind - H  
Ohio, Cal, East - G.W.
- ⑤ Preparations For Chrysler - H
- ⑥ " " IH - W
- ⑦ Suggest Ill & Wisc to Prepare Spec. Action on  
Kohler. Rest of Dists. Prepare to Come in on Them.
- ⑧ Request Michigan To Take Initiative on Investigation of  
Mazey & UAW By Congress Re Election Exp. - 600, Dodge,  
Flint.  
Rest of Districts to take Action Independently  
But Also Using Mich. -----(illegible) - H.
- ⑨ Request Ohio To Push For U/N Natl Concentration Re  
Ohio UH Comp Referendum - G.
- ⑩ H. --- (illegible) To Prepare Plan of Work Re ---- (illegible)  
VP Request Mich. Bd To Take Up Issue & Plan Report it ----  
(illegible) Natl Con. - Oct 22-23 --- (illegible)
- ⑪ March Auto PAC Conference work to be initiated
- ⑫ PA Article re Lessons of ----- (illegible) &  
Perspectives - Mich

GM - George 11 AM - Sept 30 - Questionnaire

Gil 2 PM - Det - Leland

Oct 1 - 10 AM - " - Paul Simon  
Linden - W, Tarrytown, Cleve, Chi - Flo, Ind-Flo?  
Cal-G, Flint ① M, Det ① M

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"Com - Chi - Milt, Flo, Hil, Vavo - 9:00 AM Thompsons Cafe  
Grand Central

BOB - ----- B (illegible)  
NAT - Flint - Out"

Chicago Teletype to Director, SAC  
New York and Detroit, October 21, 1955 set forth belief that  
"MILT" is identical with MILTON BURNS; that "FLO" is identical  
with FLORENCE HALL; that "HIL" is identical with HILLIARD  
DAVID ELLIS, and that "VAVO" is probably identical with  
GEORGE DOLPHUS VILLAVASO, all Chicago Security Subjects.

It would appear possible that these  
individuals comprised a Chicago Committee who were scheduled  
to meet at 9:00 a.m. on October 22, 1955 at Thompsons Cafe,  
Grand Central Station, New York, in connection with matters  
pertaining to the National Auto Commission.

The notation "NAT - Flint - Out,"  
possibly refers to a visit to Flint, Michigan by NAT GANLEY,  
convicted Detroit Smith Act Subject.

The identity of "GEORGE" in connection  
with the notation "GM - George 11 AM - Sept 30 - Questionnaire,"  
is possibly GEORGE WATT, although WATT was not observed in  
Detroit on September 30, 1955.

The "GIL" in connection with the  
notation "GIL 2 PM - Det - Leland," is possibly identical  
with IRVING SAUL GILBERT, Cleveland Subject.

The name "PAUL SIMON" which name as  
indicated above was used to register in Room 924, is probably  
an alias utilized by the person who registered for that room.  
It is believed that this person is IRVING GILBERT.

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One PAUL GEORGE SIMON, (Bufile 100-371189), who resides at 1082 E. Baltimore, Flint, Michigan, and is employed by the Detroit A.C. Spark Plug Division, General Motors Corporation, Flint, is active in the CP circles in the Flint area.

It does not appear at this time that PAUL GEORGE SIMON is identical with the person who registered at the Detroit Leland Hotel on September 30, 1955 as PAUL SIMON, however, a specimen of the handwriting of PAUL GEORGE SIMON is being furnished the FBI Laboratory by separate communication along with a photograph of the hotel registration card which bears the name PAUL SIMON.

Detroit is unable to further identify the remaining names and initials which appear on photographs 28 and 31.

Photograph number 8 contains a notation [ ] "accepted it." The identity of [ ] is unknown to Detroit although this name has been known to be in possession of [ ], CP District 7 Underground figure.

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The name "BERNIE" which also appears on photograph 8 is possibly identical with BERNARD BELLINSON, active CP member in Detroit who is employed at the Ford Motor Company.

Photograph 9 contains the name "JIM" who is possibly identical with JIM FABER, recently emerged from the Underground and presently believed to be in New York City.

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The name "BOB" which appears on photograph 16, together with the notation "Tarrytown" is unknown to Detroit but it would appear possible that this individual is identical with the "BOB" who attended the NAC meeting in Detroit on July 9, and 10, 1955, and whose description closely parallels the description of the Unknown Subject, white, male, who attended instant meeting at the Detroit Leland Hotel on September 30, and October 1, 1955.

Photographs 21 thru 23 contained notes captioned as follows:

"Memo T.U. Com. Steer Com. July 8 - Present E.S.W.  
B Absent"

These notes read as follows:

"Agenda Suggested

- ① Steel ② Auto ③ Org. of Com. ④ Merger Prog-Led Workers  
⑤ AFL-CIO Merger ⑥ Canada

Ⓐ Org. of Com. Taken Up First

T.U. Steer Com. Meeting - Even of Aug 30 & Full Oct 21  
Agenda Suggested: ① Follow Up Auto ② Steel - George ③ -----  
(illegible) ④ Merger UE-W. ⑤ Peace - Magil ----- (illegible)  
-W Report ⑥ Wage ----- (illegible) - D. Analysis S.  
Responsible ⑦ Hol -

T.U. Steer Com Meeting - Sept 23  
Agenda - Econ Struggles 1955, Their Meaning & Use In  
Preparations For Elections 1956 - George  
NAACP - ----- (illegible)

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"T.U. Com. - Sept 24, 25 10 AM  
Georges Report Above  
Report on Decisions & Actions of Steer Com.  
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Approved E. Seaboard Meetings of Labor Sec.  
Approved W. Sec T.U. Com.  
W. Legislative Com.  
Held in Abeyance - Meeting with Secretariat re  
Comprehensive Plan & Program

Merger - Prog Led Unions  
Mine Mill is Still Pursuing Offers of UAW Which Is  
Preferred, The Boilermakers, The Oil Workers.  
UAW Hitches Are Guarantees of Authority & T-H.

UE - The Original Line of Attempting to Develop Natl United  
Negotiations with IUE Which Ultimately Would Mean The Bulk  
of Shops in 8,9,11 would be -----(illegible) to UAW was  
continued. However to Prepare For All Eventualities It Was  
Agreed To Feel Out The UAW re 8,9,11  
The Specific Details Were Left To Discussion With - (illegible)

Maloney - Hague Election Has Been Underestimated  
The Maloney Candidacy May Afford The Means To Rally A  
Grouping of All Currents of Opposition to the Class -  
Collaboration, Dictatorial, Church Control of Union Affairs.  
Reuther & Social Dem Forces May Be Helpful In Such Development.

Someone Ought to Tour the Steel District To Awaken Them  
to Key Importance - Possibilities.

The Refinement of the Estimate, The Maloney Candidacy  
Will Be -----(illegible) At Steel Com. Meeting.

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Photographs 24 and 25 contain notations concerning "July 20 E. Seaboard Labor Sec. Meeting" which sets forth the following agenda:

- " ① Auto ② Steel ③ UE ④ Fur 5 Pol Act  
⑥ Mol ⑦ ECLC ⑧ ILA ⑨ Landers May & ----- (all illegible).  
⑩ Next date - agenda - assignments"

Photograph 37 contains the name "DAVE" which is probably identical with DAVE MOORE, District 7 CP member.

Photographs 40 and 41 contain notes which appear to be attributable to "GIL" who is possibly identical with IRVING SAUL GILBERT.

Photographs 42, 43 and 44 apparently refer to comments made by "JIM" who is possibly identical with JIM FABER, supra.

Photograph 51 contains the name [ ] who is possibly identical with [ ] who recently emerged from the Underground in Detroit and is believed to have utilized the alias of [ ] in Detroit and who is presently in New York.

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Photograph 53 contains the name "PHIL" who is possibly identical with PHIL BART.

Photograph 55 contains the name HELEN who is possibly identical with HELEN WINTER, convicted Detroit Smith Act Subject.

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Photograph 63 contains the name "NAT" who is probably identical with NAT GANLEY.

Photographs 85 thru 97 contain detailed notes on the operations, production, and location of various General Motors plants and General Motors Locals throughout the United States. It is to be noted that photograph 94 contains a questionnaire which requests the following information:

"Questionnaire

Local Product Male Workers Club	Location Delegate Negro Does It Function	Region Sub-Council Position in Local Women Size"
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Photographs 109 thru 112 contain a type-written list of UAW-CIO Locals (all General Motors) and their locations.

Photographs 115 thru 119 reflect correspondence of a form letter nature from the Liquidation Bureau, Insurance Department of the State of New York in the matter of the liquidation of the IWO.

This correspondence contains acknowledgement of proofs of claim by "JOE BARRY, by WESLEY BARRY, Old Freehold Road, Toms River, New Jersey," and by "BURT BARRY by WESLEY BARRY, Old Freehold Road, Toms River, New Jersey."

New York is requested to review the enclosed set of photographs in an effort to extract additional information therefrom and effect further identifications of names and initials mentioned therein.

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Indianapolis is requested to consider contact with [redacted] and attempt to gain further identifications of the initials of persons indicated to have been present at the July 9, 1955 Auto Commission meeting held in Detroit. (photographs 28 and 31).

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Cleveland is requested to ascertain the identity of the resident at 2020 E. 83rd Street, Cleveland, Ohio, and ascertain any indication that the occupant at this address is engaged in CP activities.

Set forth below is description of unidentified white male who accompanied BARRY from the Detroit Leland Hotel and subsequently on flight to New York:

Unidentified male was described as white, 5'7", 150 pounds, dark complected, black wavy hair, graying, late 20's or early 30's, and wearing a brown checked sport coat, brown shoes, brown tie, and white sweater.

# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Form No. 1

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REPORT MADE AT <b>PHILADELPHIA</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>11/23/55</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>10/14, 17; 11/3, 4/55</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>THOMAS F. CARRIO (jfm)</b>
TITLE <b>PHILIP BART, was.</b>		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>INTERNAL SECURITY - C</b>	

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Confidential Informant T-1 advised on 7/28/55 and 8/26/55 that PHILIP BART was officially reported by CP as the Chairman of the CP-EPD from 1/46 to 10/49, and he reported the wages received by the subject during that period.

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**DETAILS:**

Confidential Informant T-1, a representative of an agency of the City of Philadelphia, furnished the following information on July 28, 1955, and August 26, 1955:

BENJAMIN WEISS, an official representative of the Communist Party of Eastern Pennsylvania and Delaware (CP-EPD), on July 25, 1955, appeared at the City Tax Office, Philadelphia, Pa., concerning an audit of the CP-EPD by the Tax Office for the period 1952 to 1955. WEISS stated that PHILIP BART was the Chairman of the CP-EPD from 1946 to 1949.

BENJAMIN WEISS, on August 23, 1955, reported to the Tax Office that PHILIP BART was a paid employee of the CP-EPD from January 1946 to October 1949. WEISS stated BART received wages during that period as follows:

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	<u>Wages Per Week</u>	<u>Total Amount Paid</u>
1946 - January to December	\$57.00	\$2,950.00
1947 - January to December	57.00	3,000.00
1948 - January to December	56.00	2,950.00
1949 - January to October	50.00	1,950.00

BENJAMIN WEISS is a convicted Philadelphia Smith Act subject.

ERNEST C. MOYER, 169 South Main Street, Phillipsburg, N.J., a former member of the Communist Party from 1937 to approximately 1950, advised SA THOMAS F. HANNIGAN on October 6, 1955, that he first met PHIL BART at his (MOYER's) residence, 905 Jackson Street, Easton, Pa., in approximately 1947, when BART was introduced to him by a Communist Party member whose identity MOYER is now unable to recall. MOYER was then the Organizer for the United Electrical, Radio, and Machine Workers of America (UE) in the Easton, Pa.-Phillipsburg, N.J., area. MOYER advised that BART asked him about the prospects of building up a UE Communist Party Club at the Ingersoll-Rand plant in Phillipsburg, N.J. BART, MOYER, and the unidentified individual then discussed Communist Party recruiting and procuring subscriptions to the "Daily Worker." MOYER stated BART requested a contribution for the Communist Party from him, and MOYER believes that he did make a contribution.

MOYER continued he next met BART at a picnic sponsored by the Communist Party in approximately the fall of 1947 at April Farms, Spinnerstown, Pa.

MOYER again met BART at a Communist Party meeting held in Philadelphia, date unknown. This was a fund-raising party held for the benefit of JOSEPH STENSKY, who was suffering from tuberculosis.

In the fall of 1948, MOYER met with BART and GERALD SCHAFLANDER at the Americus Hotel in Allentown, Pa. The purpose of this meeting was to discuss the campaign of PHILLIP STORCH, who was running for the unexpired term of United States Congressman CHARLES GERLACH, deceased. Prior to this meeting, the then President, HARRY S. TRUMAN, had made remarks condemning the Soviet Union and in support of compulsory military training. BART instructed MOYER and SCHAFLANDER to oppose TRUMAN's statements and to make sure that TRUMAN's comments concerning Russia and compulsory military training were not included in STORCH's campaign.

MOYER revealed that he met with BART and SCHAFLANDER on several other occasions in the Americus Hotel during STORCH's campaign. BART informed them during these meetings in Allentown that compulsory military training would tend toward a police state in America and that eventually capitalism would use the police state in furthering its imperialistic programs.

On October 2, 1947, Mr. RAYMOND BRENNAN, Attorney and Chairman, Lehigh Democratic Committee, Room 312, Colonial Theater Building, Allentown, Pa., advised SA J. HERBERT FOLEY that the Democratic Party had operated two separate political campaigns for PHILLIP STORCH in the primary held on September 9, 1947. These units were the Democratic and the Storch for Congress Committee. The operation of the two separate campaigns was due to disagreements on policy, platform, and candidates. Mr. BRENNAN stated that GERALD SCHAFLANDER was the motivating force in the latter group's campaign, which was dominated by local and imported union officials.

Confidential Informant T-2, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on September 1, 1953, that JOSEPH STENSKY was a member of the CP-EPD from 1945 to 1948.

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HERMAN ERWIN THOMAS, 518 North 23rd Street, Allentown, Pa., a former member of the Lehigh Valley Section, CP-EPD, who testified as a Government witness at the Philadelphia Smith Act trial in May 1954, advised on February 14, 1948, that [redacted] [redacted], Lehigh Valley Section, CP-EPD, stated GERALD SCHAFLANDER was a member of the Communist Party.

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Mr. THOMAS advised on July 2, 1948, that SCHAFLANDER was expelled from the Communist Party. He learned this at a Communist Party meeting of the Lehigh Valley Section held on June 23, 1948.

The "Daily Worker" is an East Coast Communist newspaper.

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Administrative Details

For the information of the New York Office, background information concerning ERNEST C. MOYER is located in New York file 100-13644-D entitled "COMINFIL UERMVA; IS-C."

Careful consideration has been given to each source concealed, and T symbols were utilized only where necessary.

Informants

T-1: <span style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 150px; height: 15px;"></span> Investigator, Investment Division, Self-Assessed Tax Division, Tax Office, City of Philadelphia (by request)	Employment	7/28/55	SA HARRY C. BELK, SA WILLIAM F. McLAUGHLIN (oral)	100-22157-3798       b6 b7C b7D
	Employment	8/26/55	SA WILLIAM F. McLAUGHLIN (oral)	100-22157-3806
T-2: Former <span style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 80px; height: 15px;"></span>	Characterization of JOSEPH STEMSKY	9/1/53		

References

Bureau letter to Philadelphia dated 11/1/55  
Supplemental Prosecutive Summary Report of SA THOMAS F. CARRIG  
dated 6/24/55 at Philadelphia.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-69)  
FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-80641)  
SUBJECT: CP, USA, ORGANIZATION  
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DATE 11/28/55

On 11/3 and 4/55 NY 1637-S\* furnished material in the possession of PHILIP BART and his wife, CONSTANCE.

On 6/3/55 NY 694-S\*, who has furnished reliable information in the past, stated that PHILIP BART was national organizational secretary of the CP, USA. CONSTANCE BART, from 1951 to 1955, was a CP Underground functionary on

- 1 - Atlanta (Info) (RM)
- 1 - Birmingham (Info) (RM)
- 1 - Charlotte (Info) (RM)
- 1 - Dallas (Info) (RM)
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- 1 - New Orleans (Info) (RM)
- 1 - Norfolk (Info) (RM)
- 1 - Oklahoma City (Info) (RM)
- 1 - Richmond (Info) (RM)
- 1 - San Antonio (Info) (RM)
- 1 - Savannah (Info) (RM)
- 1 - NY 97-169 ("Daily Worker") (#7-2)
- 1 - NY 100-80633 (CP, USA, Education) (#12-14)
- 1 - NY 100-81615 (CP, USA, Pamphlets and Publications) (#12-14)
- 1 - NY 100-74560 (CP, USA, Funds) (#12-14)
- 1 - NY 100-89590 (CP, USA, Strategy in Industry) (#12-14)
- ① - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) (#7-5)
- 1 - NY 100-12959 (CONNIE BART) (#19)

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the national level. Included among the material furnished by the informant is a four page typewritten document entitled, "Proposals on Southern Party Organization - '55 - '56." This document is being set out below in full, and deals with various phases of CP organizational activity as applied to the Party in the South.

"PROPOSALS ON SOUTHERN PARTY ORGANIZATION - '55 - '56

"Registration

"1. Work for a turn-about in our membership to bring our membership up to the '55 registration by the spring of '57.

"2. Close the '55 registration now with the understanding that La. and Ala. and any other cities or parts of districts that did not carry out a registration keep as members their last year's membership and continue to work for full registration.

"3. Conduct the first stage of increasing the registration as part of the plan of work for the '56 elections.

"4. Immediately set about organizing all members into clubs.

"5. Dues must be paid monthly. They are a direct reflection of Party organization and activity. We must bring our dues payments up to 100% in '55.

"Party Building

"1. List contacts for recruiting in each club. Examine personal and political history of each contact.

"2. Club work out individual approach to each contact including literature, planned discussions and study, explanation of role and functioning of Party, etc.

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"3. Set a quota in each club for new members in '55.

"4. Each district to set quota for new members by the '56 registration.

"Cadres

"1. National and District leaderships to review and correct the existing cadre list in the next 3 months, with the D. O.'s first on the list.

"2. Do a thorough verification of this list so that we begin to know the lives and experience of these cadres and their problems. This verification must be known to the national leadership in detail.

"3. Organize individual discussion with these comrades, with the National leadership participating whenever possible - certainly in the discussions with the D. O.'s and selected trade union, Negro, farm and youth cadres.

"4. These discussions should include:

"a. The present role of the comrades in the party and the mass movement and future perspectives, emphasizing special training for specific tasks.

"b. The personal life and problems of the comrades, helping them to ess their problems in the framework of the political tasks facing the party, and helping in this framework to find correct answers.

"c. Develop a plan of self-study, getting agreement of how much each comrade will read weekly, and when written reports on the reading will be turned in to the District and National centers. Reading list is attached.

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"d. Examine the possibility of party school for each comrade, giving this cadres preference to District, National and NY school.

"e. Set up regular follow-up discussions by the D. O. or assigned District leaders to check on the above 3 or 4 times a year.

"5. National and District leadership to take responsibility for this plan. National Leaders to take direct responsibility for the development of the D. O.'s and selected trade union, Negro, farm, and youth cadres.

"Press

"1. District and city committees to discuss role of party press and assign necessary cadre for receiving and distributing press.

"2. Every club discuss role of press, list the number of papers that can be distributed to members and contacts, number of subscriptions that can be sold for mailing at home, and set quota accordingly for both subs and bundle.

"3. Plan in detail how club can secure its share of city bundle and distribute to each individual.

"4. Club quotas to total the '54 circulation in each district in the course of '56 election campaign activity.

"Mass Education

"1. Man further distribution of 25,000 copies of National Program in '55.

"2. Distribute 2-3,000 copies of Southern Supplement, 3 times a year. First issue end of May, second in the Fall.



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"3. Plan to place party's political analyese and program for '56 el elections before the people of the South.

"4. Distribute 50,000 copies of brochure of desegregation in Fall.

"5. Plan distribution of Southern Program after bringing it up to date.

"6. Plan issuance and distribution of state and club material in accordance with needs and possibilities, coordinating with above-mentioned south-wide material. (Bullitens, shop papers, leaflets).

"7. Use Southern return aduress on mailings, as soon as available.

"8. Examine and analyze content of material we issue.

"Education

"1. Organize regular club political discussions based of P. A. articles, outlines provided by the National center (series of 10 are being prepared), and locally developed outlines.

"2. Work towards one district school a year, with assistance from National center for teachers and curriculum.

"3. Select cadres to be given preference in National schools and other schools.

"4. Organize club and city classes where foasible.

"5. Plan self-study for members as extensively as possiblo.

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"6. Send teachers from National center to aid in classes where needed.

"Literature

"1. Organize the regular receipt of literature by using all of the following methods:

"a. Secure mailing addresses for P. A. and current periodicals.

"b. Plan trips for bulky material (Foster books, Stalin Stes, large quantities of a pamphlet for mass use, programs, brochures). (once or twice a year)

"c. Plan to use every trip into center or from center for carrying literature into South.

"2. Select literature for special sale and concentration. In the next period sell a) Foster's 'History of the Three Internationals', b) Wilkerson's 'The People versus Segregated Schools'.

"Finances

"1. Plan budget for state including aid for DO, mailings and leaflets, travel, meetings, schools, etc.

"2. Organize fund raising with view to local self-sufficiency, as well as regular contributions to center.

"3. Plan Fund Drive carefully with solid organizational follow-up. Complete quotas to center by June 30th.

"4. Organize year round sustainer through clubs for meeting state budgets.

"Club Plans

"1 Every club to list its plan of work: its area

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"of concentration and over-all perspectives, its goals on the preceding party tasks, and its specific '56 election activity.

"2. Club meetings conducted according to the BASIC 3 Part Agenda.

"3. Each District examine the club plans, and in relation to them, submit to the center a District plan for the '56 election activity.

"Outline plan for Industrial Concentration Club

"Points to be considered for an industrial concentration club plan which can serve as a guide to other clubs, and to the plan of work of individual club members:

"1. Learn the industry and union in general, and the local plant in particular by reading the trade union press and the local and Negro press. Learn the particular grievances of the workers and how they express political ideas. Learn the labor movement in the city and its relationship to the workers in the concentration plant.

"2. List all contacts the party has in the plant. Discuss them separately and assess each individually. Distinguish between contacts that are active in political or community work and those that are inactive, between those in union leadership (stewards, etc.) and those that are rank and file, between young workers and old timers.

"3. Depending on the number of party members in the club and their community ties assign each comrade to follow up on a selected number of the contact list. Check on the comrades so that personal relationships are started, and check to see that these relationships grow personally and politically. Learn from these

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"contacts the exact moods and thinking of the workers in the concentration plant.

"4. Join organizations that these workers are in, wherever possible - churches, Democratic Party, NAACP, etc.

"5. Put out party literature especially planned for these workers, using the information acquired through personal contact, as well as the general material like the Southern Program, National Program, leaflet on desegregation, etc.

"6. Check up on these points regularly and never forget the task of recruiting new members from among these workers."

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NY (100-56579) (#7-5)

DATE: 11/28/55

FROM : SA ROBERT J. LAWSON

SUBJECT: PHILLIP BART, was  
IS-C

On 11/3-4/55 NY 1637-S\* furnished information in possession of PHIL BART, a prominent functionary of the National Office, CP, USA, and a former functionary of the CP Underground apparatus.

NY 1637-S\* furnished the following names and addresses of individuals currently in the possession of BART's personal phone book, and are listed as follows:

CLARA BODIAN  
223 Second Avenue  
NYC  
GR 7-8825

DAVE FISHER  
1549 Townsend  
TR 8-2318

LOUIS MILLER  
400 West End Avenue  
EN 2-2443

[Redacted]

VI 3-9209

- 1 - NY 100-68063 (CLARA BODIAN) (#12-14)
- 1 - NY 100-109923 (DAVE FISHER) (#12-8)
- 1 - NY 100-70396 (LOUIS MILLER) (#12-16)
- 1 - NY 100-122191 [Redacted] (#20-13)
- 1 - NY 101-4114 (LEONARD EMIL MINS) (#12-16)
- 1 - NY 100-14899 (ANDY REMES) (#7-5)
- 1 - NY 100-81794 [Redacted] (#12-16)
- 1 - NY 100-123217 (MARVIN STERNBACH) (#19)
- 1 - NY 105-14590 (ESTHER MOSES) (#20-10)
- 1 - NY 100-87091 (C. STERN) (#12-15)
- 1 - NY 100-78589 (EDNA WINSTON) (#12-10)
- 1 - NY 100-55534 (SELMA WEISS) (#20-11)
- 1 - NY 100-68400 [Redacted] (#20-10)

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LEONARD MINS  
130 West 57th  
10B  
CI 6-1668 home  
CI 6-1667 office

ANDY REMES  
NE 8-2308

[REDACTED]  
LE 4-1882  
WO 4-6740 office

MARVIN STERNBACH  
TR 5-5350

ESTHER MOSES  
DA 8-9736

Dr. C. STERN  
853 Broadway - 14th St. area  
AL 4-0898  
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EDNA WINSTON  
TU 2-4991

SELMA WEISS  
469 Washington  
Brooklyn

[REDACTED]  
FO 7-6022

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Original photographs of the above information are being retained as exhibits in NY 100-56579. *1848*

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-56579 )

DATE: 11/28/55

FROM : SA ROBERT H. BERTKE

SUBJECT: PHIL BART  
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Subject was observed leaving and/or entering  
268 - 7th Ave., NYC, the address of CP, USA Headquarters  
and the New York State CP Headquarters.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Observed by</u>	<u>Time In</u>	<u>Time Out</u>
11/21/55	[REDACTED] ROBERT H. BERTKE	AM	AM
		PM	PM
		AM	AM
		PM	PM
11/22/55	[REDACTED] ROBERT H. BERTKE	AM	11:51 AM
		12:19 PM	1:17 PM
		AM	AM
		2:00 PM	4:02 PM
11/23/55	ROBERT H. BERTKE	9:35 AM	AM
		2:21 PM	12:41 PM
		AM	AM
		PM	PM
11/25/55	MICHAEL D. MC NAMARA ROBERT H. BERTKE	AM	AM
		PM	PM
		AM	AM
		PM	PM

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A log covering the above surveillance is being  
maintained in NY file 100-4931-Sub O.

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TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-56579)(7-5)

DATE: 11/29/55

FROM : SA ROBERT J. LAWSON, #19

SUBJECT: PHILLIP BART, was.  
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On 11/3,4/55, NY 1637-S\* furnished information currently in possession of PHIL and CONNIE BART, both prominent functionaries at the National Office of the CP, USA, and both former National CP underground functionaries.

NY 1637-S\* furnished a letter to PHIL dated October 28, from JACK KLING, postmarked at Chicago 10/27/55, return address 4307 N. Troy, Chicago, Ill. The body of the letter reads as follows:

"October 28

"Dear Phil;

"When Irving was here I heard about your illness. Since then I received a note from him telling me among other things, that according to doctors 'orders' you will have to take it easy. He said you will be able to do work but at a reduced rate, and avoid climbing stairs. However I just saw Morris. He told me that he received a letter from you last night indicating that you were OK, early reports were too severe etc etc. In any case we are all interested in your health. Do not allow yourself to be influenced solely by your emotions but be very realistic. In anycase you will have to take care of your self.

"Well I have been pretty much on the go, covering the areas agreed upon. I was twice in the southern area etc. There are many problems in all places. There are also very interesting developments in each place. However we will be able to go into that when I see you.

"We planned before I left New York that I would be back Tuesday, November first. Morris informs me that the people here have arranged a meeting for ~~Wednesday~~, and Tuesday and they want me to attend. Considering the type of a meeting, which I will explain to you when I see you, I feel it wise that I remain for the meeting. I therefore will plan to be in Wednesday A.M. I will come to the office in the morning and if you are not there, will call you at you home. I would like to

1 - NY 100-39553 (JACK KLING)(19)

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"cut my stay as short as possible, Therefore I hope we can plan my stay for Wednesday, Thursday & Friday. I may bring along Ricky, to see my family. If I do, I would like to spend with him Saturday and Sunday. If necessary I would also stay over on Monday. However I leave it up to you. Three or four days should be enough to complete our discussions.

"Therefore unless I hear different from you, I plan to be in Wednesday. Give my best regards to Connie. Sue and the family send their regards to you. So does Morris.

"Yours,

"Jack Kling"

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JOHN WILLIAMSON, was  
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On 11/3 and 4/55 NY 1637-S\* furnished material in the possession of PHILIP BART and his wife, CONSTANCE. On 6/3/55 NY 694-S\*, who has furnished reliable information in the past, stated that PHILIP BART was National Organizational Secretary of the CP, USA. CONSTANCE BART, from 1951 to 1955, was a CP underground functionary on the national level. Included among this material were the following:

#1--a one page typewritten letter dated 8/1/55 beginning "Dear PHIL and CONNIE" and signed "JOHNNY." This letter was contained in an envelope bearing the return address of WILLIAMSON, care of DOYLE, 61 Hazlewell Road, London S. W. 15.

#2--a one page handwritten letter dated 5/17/55 beginning "Dear PHIL" and signed "JOHNNY." This letter was not contained in an envelope.

#3--a two page typewritten letter dated 9/1/55 beginning "Dear CONNIE and PHIL" and signed "MAE." This letter was contained in an envelope postmarked 9/3/55 at Putney S.W. 15 and bearing the return address, Mrs. MAE WILLIAMSON, care of DOYLE, 61 Hazlewell Road, London, S.W. 15, England.

These three letters are believed to be from JOHN WILLIAMSON, convicted Smith act subject recently deported to England, and his wife, MAE. These three letters are set out below in full.

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% Doyle, 61 Hazlewell Rd.  
London S.W. 15. Aug. 1, 1955.

"Dear Phil and Connie:

"We received your letters of July 5 and 9th. I hope I dont have to tell you how good it is to receive letters from 'home'. For it will always remain that to us. Glad to see Connie is with you now (I am not talking in general political

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1 - NY 100-94820 (MAE WILLIAMSON) (#12-16)  
1 - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) (#7-5) *RM*  
1 - NY 100-12959 (CONNIE BART) (#19)

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"terms now) and sorry we didnt see her before we left.

"While I have kept myself fairly busy, I am not at all satisfied with the decisive thing--the development of some forms of mass activity connected with the USA. That is an organizational responsibility, and cant be done by any individual. I keep pushing, but feel frustrated sometimes. I keep myself busy with articles, letters to papers, speeches, etc. but that alone is not eno enough. Even the 'little' victories (Lamont, Bridges, some passports etc) resusult in people thinking its not so pressing any more.

"I am very interested in the conference on the 3 topics you outline. I urge you send me the material on it as soon as you can. It will be useful to me in my work to keep me abreast of your thinking on these matters. Also, since I cant live on my knowledge of what was, can someone be made responsible to send me appropriate material for my work--which is your work. Furthermore, even tho I mentioned this in a letter to Si, its easier for you to check. I think my name must have been dropped of the DW and SW mailing list. Its nearly 3 weeks since we received a single copy. The paper is indispensable for me.

"On England, I dont claim to be able to say or write anything authoratative yet. I have some impressions--sort of obvious ones. The contrast between workers conditions (living) here and in the USA is very great. The class lines are very sharp. The poorness of the people stares at you, and they are supposedly 'better off' now. True, they have certain benefits from social insurance not know in the States, and those who have Council Houses have good and cheap houses (since they are subsidized), but otherwise, food clothes, housing, etc. is very miserable. The working week is officially 44, but the least worked is 48. The workers grab for the overtime and kill the short work-week they struggled for. They need the overtime, as the cost of living goes up and up. By US standards

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"somethings (but not all by a long shot) are cheaper in American money, but when you figure British wages as about 1/3 those of US, then some stuff is really dearer.

"We always knew in general the role of the slick Soc'al Democrats, but here you see it at close range. They accept and fit into capitalism in general and the British social system in particular. Since they do that it follows they also argue that 'the nation must live on its exports, and higher wages will make it more difficult to trade' in competition with USA, Germany etc. They, with the top TU leaders, are now scheming to curb strikes, a la Taft Hartley. The economy is very shaky, but the Tories in the most brazen manner, take steps that opening help the ruling class and throw more and more burdens on the people. And there is no kickback yet.

"We ourselves are pretty desperate about a house. No use bothering you, but with hundreds looking, we just cant get anything. I am on party wages, but they are away below ours. We just cant figure out how anyone can live on them. Its below the average wages of industrial workers. In every family 2 or more work. Thats how they get bye.

"We are considered lucky, since this is the warmest summer in 10 years. Of course, a heat wave here would be one of your most comfortable cool days of summer, but we cant kick at the weather also.

"Warmest regards from Mae,  
Bob, and Neil. Write soon.

"/s/ Johnny"

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"c/o Doyle, 61 Hazlewell Rd.  
London S. W. 15  
England

"May 17/55

"Dear Phil:

"Just a Hello from Glasgow. We have received a

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"most warm welcome here. At Southampton a delegation of local comrades; and a member of the C. C. plus Charlie Doyle who met us and drove us to London. After a day there we left for Glasgow for 12 days (due to election campaign can't talk to anyone till after the 26th). We were met at the RR station by 100 comrades led by Gallagher, Kerrigan & Hart (the latter 2 are parliamentary candidates). Then on Sat. they had a reception at which leading comrades & rank & filers joined in the most intimate, warm welcome that you can imagine. About 250 of them.

"Our arrival got a lot of press coverage. My mother is still bed-ridden, but has brightened up a lot at seeing us. I have to figure out how to best settle certain things concerning her care.

"It is terribly cold. We all freeze.

"Until I know where we stand on my work, and then, try to get located (housing is an indescribable crisis), we are all 'up in the air.' It won't be easy to become acclimated, but we just have to.

"Warmest regards to you and your entire family from all of us.

"As ever,  
"/s/ Johnny"

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"September 1, 1955

"Dear Connie & Phil:

"It was just wonderful to get your letters. It seems that both of you have an appreciation of what it means to 'keep in touch', much more so than a few others who haven't answered us. It just can't be conveyed what being uprooted means. I've stopped trying, and don't think for a moment that I have lost my objectivity and don't realize other problems and situations facing so many of our friends, ours is just one of them. I think it is

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"a fatal error to get involved as to who has greater problems but I must say that the ruling class hit on a sadistic method of carrying out their suppression of free thought, speech, etc., namely, deportation. I am not at all unmindful of the fact that our family is together and that at this point Johnny is not facing another trial and its consequences. All I really want to say what helps to keep spirits and morale high is contact with friends who one has lived and worked with over the years not to have people just 'gone and forgotten', which is of course one of the aims of deportation. It was particularly good to hear from you, Connie. We had seen Phil and were hoping that you would make it home in time to say hello and goodbye. I felt bad about that but that was also part of the 'penalty'. We'll make up for it some day, of that I am sure. I will let Johnny write you more about events, etc., I'm going to make this more of a personal letter about us and the children and conditions here. I am sure you will realize that whatever I say about this place I am not complaining to you but that I have a perfect right to complain. We didn't ~~want~~ to come here and being shunted from one capitalist country to another, and one with a much lower standard of living (which U.S. encourages) gives me the right to be critical.

"First of all our friends are just wonderful. We had a fine reception both in England and Scotland and they are doing all they can to help us find a flat short of pulling one out of their pocket. The housing situation here is fantastic. When I think of the construction and life going on in other countries that were also hit by the war and then see the decadence here (and the possibilities) it is surely enough to make one angry. Some projects have been built but it is more profitable to build 'luxury' flats so that is what is being done. There is controlled rent but all a landlord has to do is put linoleum on the floor and curtains on the window and one or two pieces of furniture and rent it as a furnished flat and it is not more controlled. With the result that we have found it impossible to find a place of our own, and believe me we have many more people on the alert than the usual family. We were lucky that the Doyles could put

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"us up, and have gone out of their way to make us feel comfortable and at home. The kids have a room and we sleep in the living room. It was by sheer chance that they have this place of four room and that her daughter got married in March and made room for us! Both of them are working in factories so I do the shopping and cooking for all of us and its worked out fine.

"The shopping has been a good experience for me. At first I thot everything was quite cheap, I kept translating into American money but as Johnny plunged into work and I started to figure out how we were to manage on his wages I went into a little panic and said it just can't be done. And it can't be done without my going to work, that is why in most families there must be more than one wage earner. Most of the women work and their educational system is so geared that most of the youth go to work at the age of 15 rather than for a higher education. At first I characterized their education system as antiquated but it is much more than that, its a definite policy. Wages of an average unskilled worker are between 7 and 9 pounds a week (between \$19.60 and \$25.00, which is also the Party range) and overtime is a welcome thing. That is about a third lower than in the States but prices are not a third lower. However before I go to work we must get settled and start living as a family unit and give us all a chance to establish a good family relationship.

"Neil gave us a hard time at first but when I realized that school here is about a month longer than in the States I registered him and that was the best thing for him. He seems to be adjusting very well, he has picked up the language, wants to dress like the other children and is making friends. It may be the same English but she is sure spoke different here. He has also put on some weight and seems happy. Children can pick up roots and plant them elsewhere, all we can do is anchor the trunk and hope for the best. Bob is definitely losing two years of school but if he passes

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"the exams in the spring he will be the same age as all the others so its not too bad. He is also doing very well, he worked in the lab of a paint factory for a month (earned \$9 a week) and then took off for a very wonderful vacation with the youth on the continent, which was extended for him for another three weeks (him and some others). I am sure you will hear about it. He had saved some money from his working at home and that is what he wanted to do most. He should be back in a day or two to start school on Monday. He has also met the young people here and has spoken to some of their groups so his adjustment process seems to be taking its normal course.

"Johnny has been very, very busy. I don't have to tell you that things in connection with the States don't get done without push. He writes, speaks, goes to conferences, etc. I am sure you have read some of his articles. He was able to break through into the Tribune here and the Statesman and Nation, which was very good, plus other things. I seem to be the one hardest hit at the moment. Not having a place of our own leaves me nowhere and not being accustomed to the place I hardly get out evenings. I can't begin to tell you how I miss friends, activity and family. But time takes care of a lot of things and I am getting over to some extent, the terrible lonesomeness of the first period when I was literally numb and dazed at what had happened to us. I don't know whether what I have written gives you a little picture of us here. I don't like it here at all. There is no central heating so I will have to learn to wrestle with fireplaces. Few people have frigidaires, if we don't have to put a lot of money into a flat we will have one because of the present my brother gave us for that specific purpose. A bath in an apartment is not taken for granted there are many homes without a bathtub, or with one in the kitchen. There is no running hot water so one has to buy a gas appliance to heat it. We have no complaints about this summers weather and the people tell us that



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"they don't remember a summer like this with such continuous good weather and hardly any rain for two months. Last summer they had one nice week and the rest of the time it rained. We are trying to convince one and all that it was our good influence that brought it! But all of these physical discomforts we can get used to and I suppose live with, what is much harder is to become integrated and start out anew. We'll make it but it will take time. I hope that you folks will find time to keep in touch with us. We want so much to know how you are, how our friends are, what you are doing, etc., etc., in short, whatever you can write us. I'd give a lot to be able to pick up the phone and say 'Hi-ya!' but that's out/so I dream. Please write. We all send our love - more.

"s/Mae"

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290 Broadway  
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November 29, 1955

Mr. Edward L. Braune, Agent,  
New York Telephone Company  
140 West Street  
New York 7, New York

Dear Mr. Braune:

In connection with an official investigation being conducted by this office it is requested that you furnish listings for the following telephone numbers:

AU 3-4825  
AU 1-4536  
BU 7-3238  
CY 3-8214  
DE 2-9424

Your cooperation in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

  
JAMES J. KELLY  
Special Agent in Charge

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EN 9-1174  
FO 7-9344  
MO 2-7047  
MO 6-0902  
OL 5-2480

Your cooperation in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

*James J. Kelly*  
JAMES J. KELLY  
Special Agent in Charge

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TR 4-9146  
UL 3-7761  
UL 6-3839  
VI 6-2985  
RE 4-2189

Your cooperation in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

*James J. Kelly*  
JAMES J. KELLY  
Special Agent in Charge

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FBI, CHICAGO (100-13953)

11/29/55

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-69)(AM)(REGISTERED)

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CG 5824-S, who has furnished reliable information in the past, orally advised SA JOHN W. KEATING on November 29, 1955, that ED STARR, Executive Secretary and member of the District Secretariat of the Illinois-Indiana Communist Party District, is scheduled to be in New York City on Thursday morning, December 1, 1955, for a conference with PHIL BART. STARR will remain in New York City to attend the National CP Conference scheduled for December 3-5, 1955.

A photograph and description of STARR is in the Communist album.

Above submitted for information, no file being conducted by Chicago.

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- 2 - New York (AM)(REGISTERED)
  - (1 - 100-80641)(CP, USA - ORGANIZATION)
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- 1 - CG 100-1158 (ED STARR)

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Reurlet 10/25/55, and office memo to SAC, Indianapolis  
from SA [redacted]

It is requested that [redacted] confidential  
source of Indianapolis Office (former [redacted] Indianapolis  
file [redacted] be interviewed and a statement taken from him  
as to what [redacted] knows concerning BART's activities and  
what he can testify to concerning PHILIP BART, top functionary  
of the New York Office.

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DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-94)  
ATT: ASST. DIR. A. H. BELMONT

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-96985)

CP, USA, UNDERGROUND OPERATIONS  
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ReNYlet 11/9/55.

ReNYlet advised in general of certain information currently in the possession of PHILLIP BART and his wife, CONSTANCE, both prominent functionaries of the National Office of the Communist Party, USA, and both former functionaries of the CP underground apparatus, as furnished by NY 1637-S\* on 11/3 and 4/55.

The following is a more detailed summary of the above information as furnished by NY 1637-S\*.

Membership and Funds

1. A statement for the first eight months of 1955 covering a district by district breakdown of registration figures, dues, assessments and recruits. This statement reflects the 1954 national membership of the CP as 20,140. It also indicates the CP has recruited 72 new members for the first eight months of 1955.

This statement was furnished the Bureau by relet.

2. A typewritten memorandum setting forth the present CP dues system and outlining proposals for changes in this system.

3. Twenty-seven photographs of various documents and work sheets containing information relative to CP dues, assessments and disbursements. There are also included among these documents cash and fund drive receipts for the years 1953 through 1955.

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- 1 - NY 100-56579 (PHILLIP BART)
- 1 - NY 100-12959 (CONSTANCE BART)

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NY 100-96985

CP, USA

1. A ten page typewritten memorandum entitled "Draft Memo on '56". This document details the electoral objectives of the CP in 1956 in light of the Geneva Conference. It also indicates that the Communist Party plans to work through the Democratic Party in the attainment of their objectives while at the same time fighting the "anti-Negro" Congressional leadership of the "Johnson-Rayburn" group.

2. A 25-page memorandum entitled "First Draft" dealing with general CP problems regarding organization, membership and press. It outlines further plans concerning cadres, colonization and industrial concentration.

CP, USA Organization

1. A 25-page memorandum entitled "Report by Phil". This report is a detailed analysis of Party organization. It is particularly concerned with the status of the Party organization under present political conditions. It reviews the concentration policy and directs that the whole Party should concern itself more with the working class and mass movements of the Negro people.

2. A four page typewritten document entitled "Proposals on Southern Party Organization '55-'56". This document treats in detail plans for rejuvenating the CP in the south by stronger activity on the club level.

This material was furnished the Bureau by referenced letter.

3. A ten page memorandum in the form of a discussion between JACK KLING and PHIL BART. This memorandum is undated but is believed to have been written about February of 1955 while both KLING and BART were active in the CP underground. This memorandum deals briefly with CP membership, dues, industrial concentration, press, and other CP problems.

"Daily Worker"

1. Several statements containing subscription and "bundle" totals, both national and foreign for 1954 and 1955. The total



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circulation for 1955 as reflected in these statements is 22,837. There is also included a monthly breakdown for 1955 by states.

#### Literature

1. A six months' report on the National Literature Commission giving publication figures for various pamphlets.

2. A statement of circulation figures for various CP books and pamphlets in the six strongest CP areas.

#### Farm Problems

A one page memorandum dealing with an attempt to increase circulation of the paper "Facts for Farmers", the organization of a farm commission in the east and the mid-west, and attempts to obtain "Daily Worker" coverage of congressional hearings on farm matters.

#### Negro Problems

1. A five page memorandum dealing with the EMMETT TILL lynching and the action to be taken by the Communist Party, namely, (a) distribution of leaflets to all districts denouncing the Mississippi "trial", (b) forcing the Eisenhower administration and Attorney General Brownell to intervene by writing thousands of letters and postcards from individuals, trade unions, and church and Negro groups, etc., and (c) a projection of the TILL matter into the convening of Congress in January and into the 1956 elections.

The Bureau has been furnished a copy of this memorandum by referenced letter.

2. A 24-page memorandum entitled "Struggle for Negro Rights in New York". This memorandum states that the Negro people are a major factor in certain elections and that they are generally pro-Democratic. This memorandum reflects the figures for Negro and white unemployment in various areas and industries. It also deals with Negro employment in railroad, radio and T-V, banking and other key industries.

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Miscellaneous

1. Two letters from JOHN WILLIAMSON, convicted Smith Act subject recently deported to England, and one letter from his wife, MAE WILLIAMSON, all addressed to PHIL and CONNIE BART. These letters reflect CP and general economic conditions in England.

2. Letter from JACK KLING to PHIL BART evaluating CONNIE BART's service in the CP underground. KLING is generally commendatory towards CONNIE BART but characterizes her as a "panic" person.

Dissemination of all the information obtained from NY 1637-S\* has been completed with the exception of the identity of subscribers to several telephone numbers furnished by informant.

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-932)(#12-14)

11/30/55

SA JOHN CHRISTENSEN

ABE MAGIL  
SM-C

Identity of Informant:  
Reliability:

NY 1475-S\*  
Who is in a position to  
furnish reliable information  
concerning activities at CP  
National Headquarters, 268  
7th Ave., NYC  
11/16/55

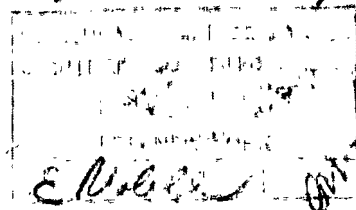
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NY 1475-S\* advised that on 11/16/55, MAX WEISS  
and PHIL BART were at the National Headquarters of the CP,  
USA, in NYC. According to the informant, MAX WEISS commented  
that ABE MAGIL took a trip to the coast and will be in  
tomorrow at 11:30 AM to meet with them. PHIL BART also  
advised that he was to meet with ABE MAGIL at 10 AM tomorrow  
(11/17/55).

In the event the above information is disseminated  
care should be taken to protect the informant's identity.

1 - NY 100-18672 (MAX WEISS) (#19)  
1 - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) (#19)

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-56579)(#19)

DATE: 12/1/55

FROM : SA JOHN DENNIS O'CONNELL

SUBJECT: PHILLIP BART  
IS-C, SA-40

On 11/29/55, NY 1637-S\* made available material that was in the possession of PHIL and CONNIE BART. This material included a mimeographed notice put out by the National Administrative Committee (CP) advising of the national CP conference to be held at the Yugoslav Hall, NYC, 12/3,4,5/55. Information also included a letter to the BARTS dated 11/17/55 from JOHN WILLIAMSON, convicted CP leader now residing in Scotland. The information also included a memorandum dealing with the farm commission report for the State of California and other Communist Party proposals.

- 1 - NY 100-12959 (CONNIE BART)
- 1 - NY 100-96985 (CP, USA, UNDERGROUND)(#19)

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CP, USA PAMPHLETS AND PUBLICATIONS  
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On 11/3,4/55 NY 1637-S\* furnished material in the possession of PHILLIP BART and his wife, CONNIE.

On June 3, 1955, NY 694-S\*, who has furnished reliable information in the past, stated that PHILLIP BART was National Organizational Secretary of the CP, USA.

CONSTANCE BART, from 1951 to 1955, was CP underground functionary on a national level.

Included among this material is a three page typewritten letter addressed to PHILLIP BART and signed "ANDY". "ANDY" is believed to be ANDREW REMES, an official of New Century Publishers.

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications" dated May 14, 1951, prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D.C., contains the following concerning the New Century Publishers:

"1. An official Communist Party publishing house, which has published the works of William Z. Foster and Eugene Dennis, Communist Party chairman and executive secretary.

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1 - Chicago (Enc.1) *RM*  
1 - Cleveland (Enc.1) *RM*  
1 - Detroit (Enc.1) *RM*  
1 - Newark (Enc.1) *RM*  
1 - San Francisco (Enc.1) *RM*  
1 - NY 100-56579 (PHILLIP BART)7-5  
1 - NY 100-12959 (CONSTANCE BART)#19  
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*[Signature]*

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NY 100-81675

respectively, as well as the theoretical magazine of the party known as Political Affairs and the Constitution of the Communist Party, U.S.A.' (Congressional Committee on Un-American Activities, Report No. 1920, May 11, 1948, pp.7 and 35.)

2. 'The largest of the Communist publishing firms. It is located at 832 Broadway, New York City. It was incorporated December 9, 1944, with a capital stock of \$20,000.' (California Committee on Un-American Activities, Report 1948, p.214.)"

This letter is a six month report on the National Literature Commission.

Also included in this material was a two page memo concerning pamphlet titles and circulation in six states. This material is being forwarded with this letter to interested offices as enclosures.

If this material is disseminated, extreme care should be used to protect the highly confidential nature of this informant.

The original negatives of this material are being retained in NY 100-56579.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-68) DATE: 12/2/55  
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-80638)12-14  
SUBJECT: CP, USA MEMBERSHIP  
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CP, USA FUNDS  
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On 11/3,4/55, NY 1637-S\* furnished material in the possession of PHILIP BART and his wife, CONSTANCE.

On 6/3/55, NY 694-S\*, who has furnished reliable information in the past, stated that PHILIP BART was National Organizational Secretary of the CP, USA.

CONSTANCE BART, from 1951 to 1955, was a CP underground functionary on a national level.

Included in this material is a statement for the first eight months of 1955 covering a district by district breakdown of registration figures, dues, assessments and recruits. This statement is set out fully below:

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- 2 - ALL CONTINENTAL FIELD OFFICES (RM)
- 1 - Bureau (100-3-63)(CP, USA FUNDS)(RM)
- 1 - NY 100-74560 (CP, USA FUNDS)12-14
- ① - NY 100-56579 (PHILIP BART)7-5
- 1 - NY 100-12959 (CONSTANCE BART)19

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Letter to the Director  
 NY 100-80638

"January 1st - August 31st 1955  
 (Eight Months Statement)

"Dist	4	5	R%	Ds T & Av %	Rets	54 Assmts	55 Assmts
1. NY	10381?	?	?	58113 - 70%	40	5715	
2. NE	485	434	90%	1190 - 34%	0	193	
3. E PA	750	490	55%	464 - 12%	0	0	
4. W PA	219	180?	?	566 - 39%	0	0	
5. Ohio	528	570	108%	2134 - 47%	3	80	
6. Mich	350?	?	?	615 - ?	0	150	
7. Ill	1100	1100(A)	100%(A)	8394 - 39%	7	211	
8. Minn	300	272	90%	1592 - 73%	0	112	
9. Ore	110?	?	?	0 - 0%	0	0	
10. Wash	414	328	79%	1246 - 47%	5	333	
11. NJ	863	766	89%	2812 - 46%	8	758	16
12. Conn	320	246	77%	490 - 25%	0	71	
13. Wisc	200?	145	60%	923 - 80%	4	81	
14. Colo-RM	300?	180?(B)	?	56 - 4%	0	0	
15. Mo	104?	59	57%	416 - 88%	0	9	
16. Ind	100	83	83%	205 - 31%	3	84	
17. Mont(B)							
18. Md-Wash	216	220	102%	884 - 50%	1	64	
19. Cal	3036	2811	93%	(C) - (C)	(C)	(C)	
20. Fla	71	44	62%	180 - 51%	0	0	
21. NC	56	12	21%	149 - 44%	0	2	
22. Tnn	12	14	117%	76 - 90%	0	1	
23. Ala	72	?	?	204 - 47%	1	22	
24. Va	34	34	100%	90 - 44%	0	13	
25. La	57	?	?	204 - 59%	0	(D)	
Ga	2	0	0	0 - 0%	0	0	
Tx	45	37	82%	0 - 0%	0	0	
So. Misc	15	13	90%	0 - 0%	0	0	

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"On Notations Above:

- (A) These figures stipulated by Illinois
- (B) Estimated in RM for '5': NM 20; Ut 30; Mon 30; Id 30 (now taken over by Wash); Colo 70.
- (C) Cash funds, but no breakdown received from Cal.
- (D) Cash funds, but no breakdown received from La for Assmt.
- (E) It is impossible to work out an exact national average in the absence of such a district as, for example, Cal. on the one hand, and on the other, should the dues be compared to the incompleted Reg figure for '5' or the figures for '4'? On the basis of the total '4' figure, the average would be 47%; a rough estimate for an average based on the '5' figure would be 51%.
- (F) This would indicate an Assmt average of 42% for 54. This, however, is not incorrect since we have record only of those turned in to us, not what might have gone in earlier last year. Beginning with the month of September, all Assmts will be counted as for '55
- (G) First turn in apparently based on registration."

The column headed "4" appears to be the complete registration figures for 1954 with the national total of 20,140 CP members.

The column headed "5" appears to be the incomplete registration totals for the first eight months of 1955.

The column headed "R%" is believed to be the approximate percentages of the 1955 registrations over the 1954 registrations.

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The column headed "DST & Av%" is believed to be the total dues units for the first eight months of 1955 and the average percent of dues units paid as compared to registration.

For example:

Each of the 434 members registered in 1955 in New England (#2) should have made eight payments up until and including 8/31/55. This would total 3,472 dues payments. However, the actual number of payments made was only 1,190. Thus,  $\frac{1190}{3772}$  or approximately 34% of the payments have been made.

The column headed "RcTs" is probably recruits. In the last two columns are the 1954 and 1955 assessments per member.

There was also included in the material furnished by NY 1637-S\* was a six months statement covering the first half of 1955. There is included in this statement the 1952 and 1953 registration figures and these are set out below. The 1952 figures for the individual districts are incomplete on this statement:

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NY 100-80638

"Six Months Statement

<u>"Dist.</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>
1. NY	14010	11610
2. NE		606
3. EPa		832
4. WPa		
5. O	836	725
6. Mch	600?	
7. Ill	1800	1800
8. Min		
9. Ore	90	123
10. Wn		
11. NJ	942	896
12. Conn		332
13. Wisc	400	
14. Colo (RM	400?	
15. Mo		
16. Ind		119
17. Mont (Incl in RM)		
18. Md		215
19. Cal		3350
20. Fla		81
21. NC		70
22. Tn		0
23. Ala		118
24. Va		37
25. La		72
SC		2
Ga		4
Tx		73
Miss		0
So. Misc		0
	<u>Est.26</u>	<u>22.5</u> "

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NY 100-80638

Also included in the material furnished by NY 1637-S\* was a memo on possible dues change proposals dated 10/2/55 which is set out below fully. This memo details the present dues system of the CP:

"Memorandum on possible Dues Change proposals. (10/2/55)

- "1. The most recent breakdown of dues denominations received between January 1st and Aug. 31st, 1955, with some 75,825 dues analysed shows:

<u>%</u>	<u>Denomination</u>	<u>Share of Gross income per 100 dues</u>
15.8%	.15	\$2.37
35.6%	.50	17.80
22. %	1.25	27.50
12.2%	2.50	30.50
9.3%	3.00	27.90
5.1%	10.00 and over	51.00
Totals:100%		\$157.07

2. The present dues denominations are as follows:

Unemployed and youth:	.15
Hswives * upto \$40	.50
Upto \$60	1.25
80	2.50
100	3.00
From \$101-110	10.00
From \$111	10.00 plus increment.

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"3. Some proposals:

	<u>NOW</u>			
Unemployed and youth:	.25	.25	.25	.25
Hswives & upto \$40 :	.50	.50	.50	.50
Upto 60 :	1.25	1.00	} 1.50	1.00
80 :	2.50	} 3.00		2.00
100 :	3.00		5.00	5.00
101-110 :	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
Gross Inc.:	<u>157.07</u>	<u>159.25</u>	<u>170.55</u>	<u>165.65"</u>

Copies of this letter are being sent to all offices in the Continental United States for information purposes.

If this material is to be disseminated, extreme care should be used in protecting the highly confidential nature of this informant.

The original material furnished by this informant is being retained as an exhibit in NY 100-56579.

# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC [redacted]

DATE: / October 20, 1955

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: [redacted]  
CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE

The subject was interviewed on 10/1/55 by SA [redacted] at his residence, [redacted] Indianapolis. Subject is male, white, born [redacted] and presently employed by the [redacted]. In the 1930's the subject was [redacted] of the [redacted] of Indiana.

By letter to Bureau dated 3/24/41 subject was designated [redacted] and then later [redacted]. Subject was discontinued by letter to Bureau 6/13/43 because he had violated his confidence by joining the CP and advising CP officials that he had been contacted by the F.B.I. Subject was active in the CP until the late 1940's.

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Subject was [redacted]

On 10/4/55 the subject advised SA [redacted] that he is available and willing to testify concerning any matter that he may possess information in which the F.B.I. is interested.

It is recommended that the subject be interviewed and a statement be taken from him concerning any individual with whom it is desired that he testify. The subject has furnished information in the past pertaining to the following individuals located in Serial 49 of subject's file [redacted]:

GEORGE SANDY  
EMANUEL BLUM

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- ICC: GEORGE SANDY 100-8616
- EMANUEL BLUM 100-9529
- BEN COHEN 100-8242
- ANDREW REMES 65-637
- PHIL BART 61-55
- ELMER JOHNSON 100-5194
- IMOGENE JOHNSON 65-177
- MABEL MITCHELL 100-2989
- [redacted] 100-2191

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BEN COHEN  
ANDREW REMES

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MABEL MITCHELL

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, New York

*Bx* FROM : SAC, Indianapolis (61-55)

SUBJECT: PHILIP BART, was.  
INTERNAL SECURITY - C  
SMITH ACT OF 1940

DATE: October 25, 1955

Enclosed is a self-explanatory memorandum of SA [redacted] Indianapolis, dated October 20, 1955. The confidential source has in the past furnished some information concerning the subject of this communication, and is no longer utilized by this office.

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*Retrospect for Miller  
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## OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEWARK (100-2974)

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-56211) (7-5)

SUBJECT: MARTHA STONE  
IS-C

DATE: 11/17/55

Identity of Informant: NY 1475-S\*

Reliability: Who is in a position to furnish reliable information concerning activities at CP National Headquarters, 268 7th Ave., NYC

Date: 10/17/55

NY 1475-S\* advised that on 10/17/55, a meeting took place at CP National Headquarters which was attended by MARTHA STONE, GEORGE WATT, and HAL SIMON. MARTHA stated that the items on the agenda included trade union problems, MAX WEISS' bail, "Daily Worker", and the National Party Conference. According to the informant, in connection with the meeting, a blackboard was frequently used to supplement the discussion. GEORGE WATT began the discussion and mentioned that HAL was presenting something in connection with "left forces in the labor movement."

At one point during the meeting, according to the informant, MARTHA STONE via inter-office phone, asked NORMIE (believed to be NORMAN SCHRANK) to come upstairs and join the meeting.

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1 - Indianapolis (100- EMANUEL BLUM)(RM)

1 - Newark (100- LOU MALINOW)(RM)

1 - New Haven (100-14798)(MARTHA STONE)(RM)

1 - NY 100-18673 (GEORGE WATT)(#19)

1 - NY 100-28609 (HAL SIMON)(#19)

1 - NY 100-80641 (CP, USA ORGANIZATION)(#12-14)

1 - NY 100-20649 (ED STRONG)(#19)

1 - NY 100-25877 (EMANUEL BLUM)(#7-5)

1 - NY 100-81924 (LOU MALINOW)(#7-5)

1 - NY 100-23290 (NORMAN SCHRANK)(#19)

1 - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART)(#19) 7-5

1 - NY 100-81675 (CP, USA PAMPHLETS & PUBLICATIONS)(#12-14)

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Letter to SAC, Newark  
NY 100-66211

During the meeting GEORGE WATT and MARTHA STONE discussed the feasibility of continuing the publication of an undisclosed magazine, and whether or not to change its editor. WATT stated that HAL's name had been suggested as editor but he was not in favor of HAL taking the job. Later that afternoon, according to the informant, MARTHA STONE stated that they had two points left over to put on the agenda for the next week. They were the "Hennings Committee" and Negro work. She also said that there should be a report from HAL and herself on preparations for the conference. An unidentified man stated that they needed someone to substitute for PHIL (believed to be PHIL BART) on the commission (believed to be the National Administrative Commission of the CP, USA). MARTHA remarked that there had been some discussion about MANNY's (possibly EMANUEL BLUM) coming in.

Still later that same evening, according to the informant, HAL told ED STRONG to contact LOU (believed to be LOU MALINOW) at Waverly 6-0269 in Newark. STRONG stated that he planned to spend a full day with LOU on Tuesday, 11/1/55. He said that he had heard from LOU that he was coming into CP Headquarters at about 2:00 PM on the next day (presumably 10/18/55), and ED said that he would meet LOU there at about 4:00 PM.

According to the Newark, N.J. Telephone Directory, the number Waverly 6-0269 is registered to Mrs. M. MALINOW, 18 Custer Place, Newark, New Jersey.

In the event it becomes necessary to disseminate this information care should be taken to protect the informant's identity.

SAC, NEW YORK (100-80633)12-14

11/18/55

RICHARD A. DONOVAN, SA

CP, USA EDUCATION  
IS - C

On 11/3,4/55, NY 1637-S\* furnished material in the possession of PHILLIP BART, National Organizational Secretary, CP, USA. Included among this material was a list of reading material entitled "Readings For Cadre Self-study Plan". This list is attached. *NY #1 to 100-80633-2361*

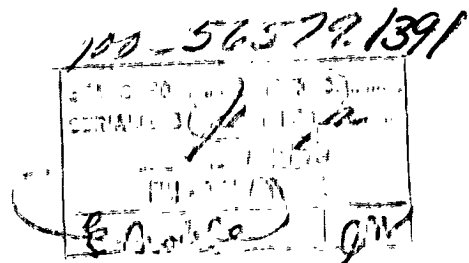
Extreme care should be used to protect the highly confidential nature of this informant if this material is to be disseminated.

The original negatives of these photographs are retained in NY 100-56579. *1B48*

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① - NY 100-56579 (PHILLIP BART)7-5

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-74560)#19

11/18/55

ROBERT J. LAWSON, SA

CP, USA FUNDS  
IS - C

On 11/3,4/55 NY 1637-S\* furnished information in the possession of PHIL and CONNIE BART, both prominent functionaries at the National Office, CP, USA and both former functionaries of the CP Underground apparatus.

NY 1637-S\* furnished 27 photographs of documents containing information relative to CP funds. These documents pertain to the CP cash receipts, disbursements, dues, assessments and fund drive receipts which are hereby attached for the information of the agent handling CP funds for his further analysis and dissemination where necessary. 100-74560-3060

If any of the foregoing information is to be disseminated outside the Bureau, care should be taken to protect the identity of this highly confidential source.

The original negatives of the above information are being retained as an exhibit in NY 100-56579.

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① - NY 100-56579 (PHILLIP BART)7-5

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11/21/55

SA RICHARD A. DONOVAN

CP, USA, MEMBERSHIP  
IS-C

On 11/3 and 4/55 NY 1637-S\* furnished information in the possession of PHILIP BART, National Organizational Secretary of the CP, USA. Included among this material was a blank form entitled, "Summary Sheet." This form gives the detailed breakdown of CP membership. It is attached. ~~att. 1~~ 100-80638-944

Extreme care should be exercised in the event information furnished by informant is disseminated outside of the Bureau.

The original photograph is being retained as an exhibit in NY 100-56579. 1B48

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SAC, NY (100-80640) (#12-14)

11/21/55

SA RICHARD A. DONOVAN

CP, USA, NEGRO QUESTION  
IS-C

On 11/3 and 4/55 NY 1637-S\* furnished material in the possession of PHILIP BART, National Organizational Secretary of the CP, USA. Included among this material was a 24 page typewritten memorandum entitled, "Struggle for Negro Rights in NY." This 24 page memorandum is contained in 47 photographs which are herewith attached.

Also included among this material was a 3 page memorandum dated 9/29/55 addressed to all districts of the CP from the Administrative Committee. This 3 page memorandum dealt with the recent EMMETT LOUIS TILL lynching in Mississippi, and set forth proposals and action to be taken by the Party regarding the lynching. This 3 page memorandum is herewith attached, copies, of which, have all ready been furnished the Bureau by letter dated 11/9/55 in "CP, USA, Underground Operations" caption.

Extreme care should be exercised in the event information furnished by informant is disseminated outside of the Bureau.

The original photographs are being retained as exhibits in NY 100-56579. 1648

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1 - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) (#7-5)

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CP, USA, FARMS  
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On 11/3 and 4/55 NY 1637-S\* furnished material in the possession of PHILIP BART, National Organizational Secretary of the CP, USA. Included among this material is a one page typewritten document entitled, "Memorandum on Farm Problems." This memorandum is attached. *NY # 100-80634-666*

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The original photograph is being retained as an exhibit in NY 100-56579. *11348*

Enc. (1)

1 - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) (#7-5)

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, New York

DATE: November 30, 1955

FROM : SAC, Indianapolis (61-55)

SUBJECT: PHILIP BART, Was.  
INTERNAL SECURITY - C;  
SMITH ACT OF 1940

[redacted] a discontinued informant of the Indianapolis Office, is available as a potential witness. He has expressed a general willingness to testify to information previously furnished by him. Information has been furnished by [redacted] in connection with captioned matter.

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[redacted] is a colored male, born in [redacted]. He is married for the second time and has one child, his first marriage having resulted in divorce. He resides at [redacted] Chicago, Illinois, and is employed at the [redacted]

[redacted], Gary, Indiana. [redacted] first became affiliated with the Communist Party in early 1940 in Gary, Indiana, and has served as an informant since 6/41. He has attended numerous CP meetings, held several minor offices in his CP branch, and has attended various Party schools in the Gary area. [redacted] the national convention of CP held Chicago, Illinois, in 1944; [redacted] to Indiana CP convention, Indianapolis, Indiana in 1945; and [redacted] of the Tom Mooney Branch of CP in Lake County, Indiana, in 1943. He attended Lake County CP convention 11/50 and the Indiana CP State convention 12/50.

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[redacted] has furnished little information of value during the past, eight-month period and apparently is no longer taken into confidence of CP leaders in Lake County, Indiana. There is no indication that he has ever been suspected as an informant by the Party. He has furnished both written and oral reports since 1941 and has been paid for his services.

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[redacted] appears emotionally stable and is not addicted to use of intoxicants. It is believed he would make an average witness.

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REGISTERED MAIL

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
NEW YORK, 12/2/55

YES.

Transmit the following Teletype message to : BUREAU

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- 3 - Bureau (100-3)(RM)
- 2 - Albany (100- ) (RM)  
(1-100- ) (BOB JOHNSTON)
- 2 - Chicago (100- ) (RM)  
(1-100- ) (MAX WEISS)
- 5 - Minneapolis (100- ) (RM)  
(1-100- ) (MARTIN MAKI)  
(1-100- ) (BOB KELLY)  
(1-100- ) (CP, USA; District 9)  
(1-100- ) (CARL ROSS)
- 8 - Newark (100- ) (RM)  
(1-100- ) [REDACTED] b6  
(1-100- ) (JOHN STEUBEN) b7C  
(1-100- ) (CP, USA; District 14; FARM MATTERS)  
(1-100- ) (MORT BLOOM)  
(1-100- ) (MANNY CANTOR)  
(1-100- ) (LOU KAPLAN)  
(1-100- ) (CP, USA; District 14; Political Activities)
- 2 - Omaha (100- ) (RM)  
(1-100- ) (CP, USA; District 32)
- 7 - Philadelphia (100- ) (RM)  
(1-100- ) (JOE ROBERTS)  
(1-100- ) (DAVE DAVIS)  
(1-100- ) (CP, USA; District 3; FARM MATTERS)  
(1-100- ) (JOE KUZMA)  
(1-100- ) [REDACTED] b6  
(1-100- ) (CP, USA; District 3; FARM MATTERS) b7C
- 2 - Washington Field (100- ) (RM)  
(1-100- ) (CP, USA; District 4; FARM MATTERS)
- 1 - NY [REDACTED] (#7-4) b7D
- ① - NY (100-56579) (PHIL BART) (#7-5)
- 1 - NY (100-12959) (CONNIE BART) (#19)
- 1 - NY (100-28609) (HAL SIMON) (#19)
- 1 - NY (100-7658) (LEM HARRIS) (#20-13)
- 1 - NY (100-66930) (CHARLES COE) (#20-11)
- 1 - NY (100-80634) (FARM MATTERS) (#12-14)
- 1 - NY (100-9984) (AL BLUMBERG) (#7-5)
- 1 - NY (100-9352) (A.B. MAGIL) (#12-14)
- 1 - NY (100-80644) (YOUTH MATTERS) (#12-14)
- 1 - NY (100-96985) (UNDERGROUND OPERATIONS) (#19)

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- 1 - NY (100-80640) (NEGRO MATTERS) (#12-14)
- 1 - NY (100-94653) (VICTOR PERLO) (#6)
- 1 - NY (100-81338) (SECURITY MEASURES) (#19)
- 1 - NY (100-13721) (ARCHIE WRIGHT) (#20-9)

[redacted] orally advised on [redacted], last, that he was visited by PHIL and CONNIE BART of NY, [redacted]

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[redacted] BART and his wife had been in Philadelphia since [redacted].

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[redacted] told the informant that JOE KUZMA is in charge of the Philadelphia CP District.

[redacted] also told the informant that JOE KUZMA [redacted] the only full paid CP functionaries in Philadelphia and all the other functionaries are either working or were told to secure a job.

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[REDACTED]

Informant ascertained from [REDACTED] that the Philadelphia CP is vigorously attempting to re-establish the Party there.

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[REDACTED] BART will deliver a report on the results of the National Conference, which will have been held in the meantime.

Informant advised MORT BLOOM, MANNY CANTOR and LOU KAPLAN, all of NJ, BOB JOHNSTON of Albany, and several other NY people will be present at this meeting. BART told the informant that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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BART advised the informant that MARTIN MAKI is now back in Minneapolis.

BOB KELLY had been a leader in Minneapolis for the time that MAKI was "gone".

Informant advised the Party considers KELLY very weak in the sense that he has insufficient ability to handle MAKI's job.

BART told the informant that in March of 1956, CARL ROSS will be back and ROSS, at that time, will take over the leadership of Minnesota and the Dakotas.

BART told the informant that with ROSS and MAKI in the district, "the weak spot there will be plugged."

BART indicated that if the Party does anything on the farm and political front, it will be done in selective areas, such as Minnesota, North and South Dakota and Pa.

that there

BART indicated/are good possibilities for the Party in Nebraska, inasmuch as the Party has good contacts there. The Party is supposed to be sending someone there to make contact with the Party in that District and BART indicated A.B. MAGIL was sent to the West recently and upon his return, made a favorable report on the political situation in the West, inasmuch as the Party has infiltrated a number of organizations there.

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BART told the informant that the Party does not expect any changes on the farm and political front in NY and NJ, unlike Pa.

Informant also furnished information concerning the National Conference, which is to be held on December 3, 4 and 5, 1955, from PHIL BART. Details concerning this conference were furnished to the Bureau by teletype dated 12/1/55, captioned: "CP, USA; IS - C."

For the information of the Chicago Office, BART told the informant MAX WEISS is scheduled to give a report on "1956 Elections and Political Situation" at the National CP Conference.

BART told the informant the Negro Commission has been re-established and that BART will attend a meeting of this Commission on the night of December 16, 1955.

BART told the informant that the Party had neglected its youth work and as a consequence, a report on "Youth" will be delivered at the coming National CP Conference. BART told the informant that "all of us are getting older and there is no one in the Party at the present time to replace us unlike the secondary leadership replacing the first leadership."

BART told the informant that WEISS would give a report on the farm situation because various Party Commissions were submitting inserts for WEISS' report for the conference.

BART told the informant that a New Economic Commission has been established and BART wanted the informant to be on this Commission to guide it from a correct Marxist standpoint. The Commission will be headed by VICTOR PERLO and will make a complete and exact survey of the economic situation in the US, from which the Party will base its outlook and policies partly in relation to the 1956 elections. BART indicated that there are very capable persons on this commission "who would not go near a Party meeting at this time".

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Informant advised he believes that the Party during the December 5, 1955 session of National Conference will do quite a bit of organizational work. Informant advised he is of the opinion that another conference will be held some time during the mid summer of 1956, because 1956 is an election year.

If any of the forementioned information is used in part or disseminated outside the Bureau, it must be paraphrased to protect the identity of the informant.

KELLY

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

DECEMBER 7, 1955  
NEW YORK, NEW YORK

Transmit the following Teletype message to: BUREAU...URGENT  
CP, USA, IS DASH C. BUFILE ONE HUNDRED DASH THREE. DAYLET.  
REMYTEL NOVEMBER TWENTY NINE FIFTY FIVE REGARDING CP  
EFFORTS TO FIND NEW LOCATION FOR THEIR NATIONAL AND NY  
STATE HEADQUARTERS. ON DECEMBER SIX FIFTY FIVE, MR. HARRY  
WEINSTEIN PAREN WHO HAS REQUESTED HIS IDENTITY BE CAREFULLY  
CONCEALED PAREN WHO IS IN CONTROL OF BUILDING AT TWO NINE  
ZERO SEVENTH AVENUE, NYC, THAT CP IS INTERESTED IN RENTING,

- 1 - NY 100-26603 (CP, USA, DISTRICT 2) (12-14)
- 1 - NY 100-121760 (CP HEADQUARTERS) (12-14)
- 1 - NY 100-51820 (JEFFERSON SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCE) (7-2)
- 1 - NY 100-26033 (DAVE GOLDWAY) (7-2)
- 1 - NY 100-62509 (DOXLY WILKERSON) (7-2)
- 1 - NY 100-26041 (HOWARD SELSAM) (7-2)
- 1 - NY 100-63755 (BEN SIMONOWSKY) (12-15)
- 1 - NY 100-28609 (HAL SIMON) (19)
- 1 - NY 100-19679 (ISIDORE WOFSY) (19)
- 1 - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) (19)
- 1 - NY 100-96045 (NORMAN SCHRANK) (12-14)
- 1 - NY 100-22066 (BERNARD FRIEDLAND) (12-15)
- 1 - NY 100-86624 Sub A (CP, USA, INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS) (12-14)
- 1 - NY 100-4931 Sub 34 (12-14)
- 1 - NY 100-18672 (MAX WEISS) (7-5)

DR:KID (#12-14)  
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Transmit following Teletype message to:

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ADVISED THAT HE HAD BEEN CONTACTED ON DECEMBER ONE FIFTY FIVE BY BEN SIMS PAREN SIMONOWSKY PAREN AND AN APPOINTMENT WAS MADE TO NEGOTIATE LEASE FOR RENTAL OF UPPER TWO FLOORS OF TWO NINETY SEVENTH AVENUE FOR THE FOLLOWING DAY. ON DECEMBER TWO FIFTY FIVE, SIMS TELEPHONED WEINSTEIN AND ADVISED HIM ISIDORE WOPSY WHO WOULD SIGN LEASE FOR CP WAS ILL AND IT WOULD BE NECESSARY TO POSTPONE SIGNING OF LEASE. LATER ON SAME DATE WEINSTEIN PERSONALLY MET SIMS ON PREMISES OF TWO NINETY SEVENTH AVENUE. WEINSTEIN ACCUSED SIMS OF GIVING HIM THE QUOTE RUN AROUND END QUOTE AND NOT ACTING IN GOOD FAITH. AT THIS TIME SIMS OFFERED WEINSTEIN THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS DEPOSIT TO SHOW GOOD FAITH BUT WEINSTEIN ON ADVICE OF ATTORNEY REFUSED TO ACCEPT. ON DECEMBER FIVE FIFTY FIVE WEINSTEIN WAS CONTACTED BY TELEPHONE BY SIMS AND ADVISED THAT WOPSY WOULD BE AVAILABLE ON THE FOLLOWING DAY TO NEGOTIATE LEASE. WEINSTEIN ADVISED ON DECEMBER SIX FIFTY FIVE HE HAS NOT HEARD FURTHER FROM CP

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OFFICIALS AND SUSPECTS THEY ARE NO LONGER SINCERE IN THEIR INTEREST TO RENT UPPER TWO FLOORS OF THREE STOREY BUILDING AT TWO NINETY SEVENTH AVENUE. NY ONE FOUR SEVEN FIVE DASH S ASTERISK, WHO HAS KNOWLEDGE OF ACTIVITIES AT PRESENT CP NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS, TWO SIX EIGHT SEVENTH AVENUE, NYC, ADVISED ON DECEMBER TWO FIFTY FIVE THAT ON THAT DATE DAVE, HOWARD AND DOXEY, BELIEVED TO BE DAVE GOLDWAY, HOWARD SELSAM AND DOXEY WILKERSON, WHO ARE OFFICIALS OF THE JEFFERSON SCHOOL, MET WITH LEON NELSON, HAL SIMON AND BEN SIMONOWSKY AT CP NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS AND DISCUSSED THE PROS AND CONS OF USING JEFFERSON SCHOOL FOR CP HEADQUARTERS. ALTHOUGH THE JEFFERSON SCHOOL OFFICIALS STATED THEY BELIEVED SUCH ACTION WOULD JEOPARDIZE THE SCHOOL'S ENROLLMENT, IT WAS AGREED AS A LAST ALTERNATIVE THE JEFFERSON SCHOOL WOULD BE CONSIDERED FOR HEADQUARTERS IF THE CP COULD NOT GET BETTER TERMS AT TWO NINETY SEVENTH AVENUE. SIMON STATED THAT WHAT THE CP REALLY WANTED TO DO WAS TO GO BACK TO THEIR OLD HEADQUARTERS AT THIRTY FIVE EAST TWELFTH STREET, NYC, BUT THIS WAS CURRENTLY IMPOSSIBLE BECAUSE

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Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Transmit following Teletype message to:

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LEASES AT THIS BUILDING WILL NOT EXPIRE UNTIL EARLY NINETEEN  
FIFTY SEVEN. SIMON INDICATED CP WILL ATTEMPT TO  
UTILIZE THIRTY FIVE EAST TWELFTH STREET AGAIN AS CP  
HEADQUARTERS IN NINETEEN FIFTY SEVEN. ON DECEMBER SIX  
FIFTY FIVE NY ONE FOUR SEVEN FIVE DASH S ASTERISK ADVISED  
THAT ISIDORE WOPSY, PHIL BART, NORMAN SCHRANK AND BERNARD  
FRIEDLAND MET AT CP NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS WITH MAX WEISS.  
AT THIS TIME WEISS STATED THE CP HEADQUARTERS WOULD BE  
MOVED TO THE JEFFERSON SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCE ON  
JANUARY ONE FIFTY SIX. BUT THIS ANNOUNCEMENT WOULD NOT BE  
MADE PUBLIC UNTIL IT COULD BE FURTHER DISCUSSED WITH THE  
SPONSORS OF THE SCHOOL. BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED OF ANY  
ADDITIONAL DEVELOPMENTS.

KELLY

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Special Agent in Charge

## OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, DETROIT (100-15793) DATE: 12/7/55

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-18671) (7-5)

SUBJECT: SAUL WELLMAN  
IS-C

Re Detroit letter dated November 15, 1955, and New York letter dated October 20, 1955.

The first line on page three of reference New York letter dated 10/20/55, should be changed to read as follows: "on the question of an estimation there is no agreement between SAULIE and TED."

Informant NY 1475-S on 8/16/55, was unable to furnish any further information concerning TED (LNU).

- 6 Detroit (100-15793) (RM)
  - (1-Detroit 100-2050) (CP, USA Organization)
  - (1-Detroit 100-24217) (Unsub. wa: Ted)
  - (1-Detroit 100-1526) (HUGO BEISENBERGER)
  - (1-Detroit 100-13740) (HELEN WINTER)
- 1 Chicago (61-867) (CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT) (RM)
- 1 Newark (100-2974) (MARTHA STONE) (RM)
- 1 New Haven (100-14795) (MARTHA STONE) (RM)
- 1 San Francisco (100-37515) (SAM COLEMAN) (RM)
- 7 New York 100-18671 (7-5)
  - ① NY 100-56579) (PHIL BART) (19)
  - (1-NY 100-80641) (CP, USA Organization) (12-14)
  - (1-NY 100-51955) (SAM COLLMAN) (7-5)
  - (1-NY 100-98699) (CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT) (7-5)
  - (1-NY 100-66211) (MARTHA STONE) (7-5)
  - (1-NY 100-18673) (GEORGE WATT) (19)

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK

DATE: 10/21/55

FROM : SA ROBERT S. MUGAVIN (100-56579) (# 7-1)

SUBJECT : PHILIP BART  
IS-C

On 8/6/55 CG5824-S, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised SAS JOHN D. KLATING and CARL N. FREYMAN that a national CP conference dealing primarily with the defense of the CP in the light of the Four Power Conference in Geneva, Switzerland, was held in the Yugoslav American Home, 405 West 41st Street, NYC, on Tuesday and Wednesday, August 2 and 3, 1955.

CG5824-S also advised on 8/6/55 that on Thursday, August 4, 1955, a national meeting of CP District Organizers was held at the Yugoslav American Home, NYC.

Submitted as an exhibit ~~is~~ (are) 4 photograph(s) of subject taken as subject was entering (leaving) 405 West 41st Street, NYC, the address of the Yugoslav American Home, Inc.

Date photograph taken:

Source making identification: SA JOSEPH P. McCANN, JOHN E. FAGAN

Photographer:

Location of photographic plant: ROBERT BYRNES  
551 9th Avenue,  
New York City

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RICHARD A. DONOVAN

, USA

On 11/3 and 4/55 NY 1637-S\* furnished information possession of PHILIP BART and his wife, CONSTANCE, prominent functionaries of the National Office of the CP, USA, and both former national functionaries of the CP Underground apparatus. Included among the material furnished by the informant is a 10 page memo entitled, "Draft Memo on 6/56." This memo, which deals extensively with the political situation in the U.S. in 1956, is attached.

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The original photographs are being retained as exhibits in NY 100-56579. 1348

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① - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) (#7-5)

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SA RICHARD A. DONOVAN

CP, USA  
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On 11/3 and 4/55 NY 1637-S\* furnished material in the possession of PHILIP BART, National Organizational Secretary of the CP, USA. Included among this material was a 25 page typewritten memorandum entitled, "First Draft." This memorandum is attached. This memorandum deals with general CP problems.

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The original photographs are being retained as exhibits in NY 100-56579. *1B48*

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1 - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) (#7-5)

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SAC, NY (97-169) (#7-2) ✓

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SA RICHARD A. DONOVAN

"DAILY WORKER"  
IS-C

On 11/3 and 4/55 NY 1637-S\* furnished material in the possession of PHILIP BART, National Organizational Secretary of the CP, USA. Included among this material are 11 tallys and worksheets dealing with "Daily Worker" subscriptions and circulation for 1954 and 1955. Eleven photographs of these papers are attached. *att # 1 to 97-169-5109*

Extreme care should be exercised in the event information furnished by informant is disseminated outside of the Bureau.

The original photographs are being retained as exhibits in NY 100-56579-1848

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NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) (#7-5)

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SAC, DETROIT (100-  
SAC, NEW YORK (100-80638)  
CP, USA MEMBERSHIP  
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On 11/17/55 NY 1317-S\* who has access to the National Headquarters of the CP, 268 Seventh Ave., NYC, was contacted by Agents of the NYO.

Among the items made available by informant was a longhand note dated 10/7/55 directed to "PHIL" and signed "HELEN." This note encloses some material that "HELEN" states has just been prepared. Enclosed with this note is a mimeographed form that apparently refers to a recapitulation of membership totals, and also what appears to be a dues schedule setting out amounts of dues to be collected on the basis of weekly earnings and a monthly breakdown of dues collections. It is noted that these forms have not been completed.

Enclosed with the above note was a two page "memo on 1956 registration."

Photostats of this information are being forwarded to Detroit as attachments to the original of this memorandum and the copy designated for the Detroit case file on HELEN WINTER. A Photostat also is being designated for the NY copy of this communication designated for the CP, USA file on funds. The original photograph of this material is being attached to the original NY copy of this communication. Negatives of this material may be located in NY 100-4931-1A589.

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- 3-Detroit 100- (Encs. 2) (RM)
- (1-HELEN WINTER) (100-
- 1-NY 100-68212
- (HELEN WINTER, #7-5)
- 1-NY 100-56579 (#19) Phil Bark
- 1-NY 100-74560
- (CP, USA Funds, #19)
- 1-NY 100-80638
- 1-R:mc

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SAC, New York

December 8, 1955

Director, FBI (100-372598)

COMMUNIST PARTY, USA  
INTERNAL SECURITY - C  
INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950

*Re: Phil Bart*

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- \_\_\_ DIV. 1
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- \_\_\_ DIV. 3
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- \_\_\_ SEC. 1
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The oral arguments in the case of Herbert Brownell, Jr., the Attorney General of the United States, petitioner, vs. Communist Party, USA, respondent, over the Internal Security Act of 1950, were heard by the United States Supreme Court on November 17, 1955. It is not known when the Supreme Court will announce its decision in this important case. We should, however, be ready to furnish to the Department adequate admissible evidence which could be used to prosecute the top Communist Party leaders if they fail to register for the Communist Party, USA, under the Internal Security Act of 1950.

According to a legal analysis prepared by the Department, the April 20, 1953, order of the Subversive Activities Control Board will become a final order against the Communist Party, USA, upon the expiration of ten days from the date of issuance of the mandate of the Supreme Court affirming the Board's order. The Communist Party, USA, is then required to register with the Attorney General within 30 days after the order becomes final. Upon conviction for failure to register the Communist Party, USA, can be punished by fine of not more than \$10,000 and each day of failure to register is a new offense.

Possible Prosecutive Action Against Communist Party National Officers.

The Internal Security Act of 1950 provides that in the event the organization shall fail to register, it shall be the duty of the executive officer and the secretary of such organization, and of such other persons as the Attorney General shall prescribe to register for the organization. Failure to execute and file the required registration statement within ten days after the expiration of the 30-day period

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*S. KOTTA*

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specified above provides that such officers upon conviction shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$10,000, or maximum imprisonment of five years, or both. Each day of failure to register shall constitute a separate offense.

The Department in its legal analysis, has advised that it may reasonably be construed that the general secretary (Eugene Dennis) and national secretary (Gus Hall) will have the duty of registering the Communist Party. Additionally, the Attorney General's regulations impose upon the national chairman (William Z. Foster), national treasurer (identity to be established), and national committee (13 individuals elected at the 15th National Convention of the Communist Party, USA, on December 28-31, 1950) the obligation of jointly filing with the above officers the required registration statement. The Department has also advised that it is further mindful of the affairs of the alternate national committee (nine members elected at the 15th National Convention) and the national administrative committee which have conducted certain Party affairs in the absence of the "second string" Communist Party Leaders, who were prosecuted under the Smith Act. The Department has advised that if it can be established at the time the registration of the Party officials is required that either of these groups is actually governing the Party at that time, then it will be required to effect the registration of the Party.

Further, the Department has advised that the Attorney General's regulations, and the statutory provisions upon which they are based, contemplate that should the designated offices be vacant at the time when the enforceable obligation of registering attaches, but the duties of these offices are being exercised by other individuals, then such individuals shall bear the responsibility of registering the Party. Moreover, if the offices are vacant and the duties of those offices have not been transferred to other individuals then the Department believes that it is the intention of the statute that the obligation to effect the registration will devolve upon those persons last holding that office or exercising these duties.

The Department has further advised that it is considering amending the Attorney General's regulations with regard to the identities of the individuals required

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to register the organization and it is hoped that these new regulations will remove any possible ambiguity from the regulations as they now read. In addition, the Department is actively considering a further amendment to the regulations, as now constituted, which would impose upon the executive officer and secretary (or individuals performing the ordinary and usual duties of those officers) of any district, branch, fraction, or cell of the Communist Party, the duty of registering for such district, branch, fraction, or cell, in the event all of the officials designated in the Attorney General's regulations fail to register.

The New York Office and the other offices receiving this letter are instructed to furnish to the Bureau by February 15, 1956, special individual prosecutive summary reports on the following individuals so that the Department will be in a position to proceed promptly with prosecutive action should the top leaders of the Party fail to register the Communist Party within forty days following the date the order of the Board becomes final against the Communist Party, USA.

<u>Office</u>	<u>Subjects</u>	<u>Leadership Position</u>
New York	Eugene Dennis	General Secretary
	William Z. Foster	National Chairman
	Henry Winston	Organizational Secretary
	Benjamin J. Davis	National Committee
	Jack Stachel	National Committee
	John Gates	National Committee
	Fred Fine	Alternate National Committee
	James Jackson	Alternate National Committee
	Sidney Steinberg	Alternate National Committee
	Phil Bart	National Administrative Committee
	Albert Blumberg	National Administrative Committee
	George Watt	National Administrative Committee
	Max Weiss	National Administrative Committee

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<u>Office</u>	<u>Subjects</u>	<u>Leadership Position</u>
Chicago	Gil Green Claude Lightfoot	National Committee Alternate National Committee
Detroit	Carl Winter	National Committee
Newark	Martha Stone	Alternate National Committee
San Francisco	Archie Brown	Alternate National Committee
	William Schneiderman	Alternate National Committee

The New York Office should also prepare special prosecutive summary reports on any other individual not mentioned above who might be currently holding a responsible national position in the Communist Party equivalent to the National Committee, Alternate National Committee or National Administrative Committee who could be conceivably held responsible for the registration of the Communist Party, USA. You will note that the Bureau is not requesting special prosecutive summary reports on John Williamson and Irving Potash since they have been deported or on Claudia Jones since she will be deported on December 9, 1955. Reports are not being requested on Gus Hall, Robert Thompson or Elizabeth Gurley Flynn since they are currently serving prison sentences.

These special prosecutive summary reports are designed to prove that the subject is a person who is required to register the Communist Party, USA, under the Act. These prosecutive summary reports should contain the dual character "Internal Security - C and Internal Security Act of 1950." In order to establish ample evidence proving that the subject is an individual who is required to register the Communist Party, USA, it will be necessary that the report contain admissible evidence under four headings as follows:

I. Background Data

Under this heading information concerning birth, education, employment other than the Communist Party, marital status, current address, military record, criminal record and status of health of the subject should be set forth. (Since this data is primarily for the information of the Department, it will not be necessary to locate certified copies of documents for admission into evidence unless data contain herein may become an issue at the hearing.)

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**II. Current Leadership Position**

This section should contain ample admissible evidence proving that the subject currently occupies a position on the National Committee, Alternate National Committee, National Administrative Committee or some other top position in the Communist Party which places him in a position of requiring him to register the Communist Party, USA, under the Act.

**III. Party Positions Since July, 1945**

In order to prove the case against the individual conclusively it will be necessary to establish the individual's Party leadership positions since the re-constitution of the Communist Party, USA, in July, 1945. This section of the report should contain evidence to prove that the subject by occupying and carrying out the functions of the various positions knew the aims and purposes of the Communist Party, USA, and that he is cognizant that the Communist Party is a part of the international Communist conspiracy. Any particularly strong statements or writings made by the subject during his Party career of a revolutionary nature or showing his loyalty to the Soviet Union should be included herein for possible use against the subject should he try to assume the position that the Communist Party, USA, is a bona fide American political party.

**IV. Miscellaneous**

While it is not necessary to include any data under this heading it is being suggested in those instances where an office might develop pertinent data against the subject which does not necessarily fall within the three categories set out above.

These special prosecutive summary reports should contain ample admissible evidence in addition to that obtained from our top security informants so that we will be able to prove these cases without exposing any top security informant. It will, of course, be necessary in the event a favorable Supreme Court decision is handed down to submit a supplemental prosecutive summary report showing admissible data that the individual leaders occupied the same leadership positions after the order of the Board becomes final.

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You should keep this in mind so that you will be able to submit a supplemental prosecutive summary report within the forty-day period subsequent to the Supreme Court decision.

If you have any questions or problems with regard to the above instructions, the Bureau should be contacted promptly.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEWARK (100-2974)  
 FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-66211)(7-5)  
 SUBJECT: MARTHA STONE  
 IS - C

DATE: 12/8/55

Identity of Informant	NY 693-S*
Reliability of Informant	Who is in a position to furnish reliable information concerning activities at CP, USA Headquarters, 268 Seventh Ave., NYC.
Date	10/13/55

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- 2 - Newark (100-2974) (MARTHA STONE)
- 1 - New Haven (100-14795) (MARTHA STONE) (RM)
- 1 - Chicago (100- ) (CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT) (RM)
- 1 - Chicago (100- ) (MAX WEISS) (RM)
- 1 - Chicago (100- ) (SAM KUSHNER) (RM)
- 1 - Detroit (100- ) (CP, USA, UNDERGROUND) (RM)
- 1 - Indianapolis (100- ) (CP, USA, STRATEGY IN INDUSTRY) (RM)
- 1 - NY 100-89590 (CP, USA, STRATEGY IN INDUSTRY) (12-14)
- 1 - NY 100-98557 (CP, USA, DEFENSE ACTIVITIES) (12-14)
- 1 - NY 100-74560 (CP, USA, FUNDS) (19)
- 1 - NY 100-86624 (CP, USA, INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS) (12-14)
- 1 - NY 100-79717 (CP, USA, POLITICAL ACTIVITIES) (12-14)
- 1 - NY 100-26603-Sub C1214 (CP, HARLEM REGION) (12-14)
- 1 - NY 100-18672 (MAX WEISS) (19)
- 1 - NY 100-20649 (ED STRONG) (19)
- 1 - NY 100-98699 (CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT) (7-5)
- 1 - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) (19)
- 1 - NY 100-66211 (MARTHA STONE) (7-5)

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Letter to NEWARK  
NY 100-66211

NY 693-S\* advised on 10/13/55 that MARTHA STONE was in contact with CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT of Chicago, Ill. Among matters discussed was the Indiana situation. MARTHA STONE indicated that the party was curious as to what was being done out there in connection with the situation, and wondered if the party's point of view was being put into effect. CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT said that he had been out of his Midwestern territory in recent weeks and was not able to give her much information concerning the matter. (It is believed that they were discussing the situation at New Castle, Indiana.)

They also discussed bail for MAX (believed to be MAX WEISS) and MARTHA said that the general feeling was that Chicago should be able to raise \$15,000 of this money. CLAUDE said that he thought that \$10,000 was all they would be responsible for and expressed the opinion that he would have some difficulty raising that amount. MARTHA suggested that he might seek \$15,000 nevertheless, and then hope that he would end up with the \$10,000 that they felt would be necessary from the area. CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT said that he was following the situation in Chicago, and thought that the bail for MAX would be set shortly. MARTHA further remarked that she was quite concerned about the bail matter because she was due to appear in court the following day because her trial was to start. She said that the general impression persisted that the party in the Chicago area was not carrying its full load in regard to money raising. MARTHA also mentioned that she picked up two (believed to be \$2,000) from across the river for MAX.

MARTHA also mentioned that ED (believed to be ED STRONG) was wondering when CLAUDE planned to be in the New York area, as he had something he wanted to discuss with him. CLAUDE indicated that he would get in touch with ED next time he was in town.

It was finally agreed upon that CLAUDE should come to NY the following Friday and that during the interim he could best utilize his time on bail fund matters.



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NY 100-66211

MARTHA told CLAUDE that the coming Monday would be a full one, devoted to various discussions all day long. Among these would be a committee meeting on matters relating to Yugoslavia. She further stated that the Yugoslavia situation would be discussed more fully at a special meeting on Tuesday.

MARTHA also informed CLAUDE that they previously had had discussions on the 56 situation, (believed to be the 1956 Presidential campaign) and also the Harlem situation. Concerning the latter MARTHA told CLAUDE that she too shared his fears concerning that situation that prevailed there. They indicated further that they would discuss it in more detail at some future date.

MARTHA reminded CLAUDE that Detroit was somewhat upset over the fact that he did not call them and cancel his prospective trip there. CLAUDE expressed surprise, stating that he had sent SAM (believed to be SAM KUSHNER) there.

MARTHA told CLAUDE that PHIL (believed to be PHIL BART) had had a heart attack and was in bed. She said that she thought that PHIL's concern over finances had probably caused his illness.

In the event it becomes necessary to disseminate the above information, care should be taken to protect the informant's identity.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC (100-22157)

DATE: 12/9/55

FROM : SA R. BURNS TOOLSON

SUBJECT: PHILIP BART  
IS - C

Confidential Informant [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, orally advised the writer on 11/28/55, that on 11/26/55, an informal reception for PHIL and CONNIE BART was held at the residence of JOE and BARBARA ROBERTS, 2429 North Douglas Street, Philadelphia. The following individuals were in attendance:

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PHIL and CONNIE BART, DAVID DAVIS, SOPHIE DAVIS, JOSEPH ROBERTS, BARBARA ROBERTS, HELEN KLONSKY, ROBERT KLONSKY, MARY MORRELL, ROBERT MORRELL, THOMAS NABRIED, BENJAMIN SHOHEN, ESTELLE SHOHEN, JACOB SCHNEIDERMAN, WINNIE SCHNEIDERMAN, ELEANOR WILLIAMS, BENJAMIN WEISS, and HELEN WEISS.

No formal program or meeting was held and the general discussion was social in nature and no Party business was discussed.

PHILIP BART mentioned that he had spent the day contacting "a few old friends." He mentioned that he had visited with [redacted] and he had attempted to persuade [redacted] to visit Dr. DAVID COHEN and "really get a good checkup." [redacted] refused, according to BART, because he preferred to continue contacting a doctor in his own neighborhood.

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JESSIE SCHNEIDERMAN inquired of CONNIE BART as to when she was "coming back to Philadelphia for awhile." BART replied that she was extremely busy in New York and could not get away at the present time.

It was mentioned during the evening that the BARTS, DAVE and SOPHIE DAVIS, and possibly others were going to Bloomfield, N. J., on Sunday, 11/27/55, to contact an unnamed individual who resided in this area. There was no indication as to the purpose of this visit.

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CC: ② - New York (100- ) - PHILIP BART REGISTERED MAIL  
(100- ) - CONNIE BART

1 - Newark (Info) REGISTERED MAIL

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100-22157 (PHILIP BART)  
100-31282 (CONNIE BART)  
100-18793 (DAVID COHEN)  
100-2427 (DAVID DAVIS)  
100-28170 (SOPHIE DAVIS)  
100-38020 (JOSEPH ROBERTS)  
100-38688 (BARBARA ROBERTS)  
100-33246 (HELEN KLONSKY)  
100-32743 (ROBERT KLONSKY)  
100-6585 [REDACTED]  
100-18638 (MARY MURRELL)  
100-5663 (ROBERT MURRELL)  
65-1686 (THOMAS NABRIED)  
100-20621 (BENJAMIN SHOEN)  
100-24192 (ESTELIE SHOEN)  
100-387 (JACOB SCHNEIDERMAN)  
100-23953 (MINNIE SCHNEIDERMAN)  
100-30243 (ELEANOR WILLIAMS)  
100-5822 (BENJAMIN WEISS)  
100-6519 (HELEN WEISS)  
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SA JOHN DENNIS O'CONNELL

CP, USA, UNDERGROUND OPERATIONS  
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On 12/7/55, NY 1637-S\* furnished information in the possession of PHILLIP and CONSTANCE BART.

Included in this information were handwritten notes apparently taken by CONNIE BART at a Communist gathering, believed to be the recent national conference of the CP held on 12/3,4,5/55 at Yugoslav Hall, New York City. The information also contained various notes containing contacts of the BARTS, as well as an exchange of correspondence between CONNIE BART and the Health Department, State of Florida, concerning her birth certificate.

1 - NY 100-56579 (PHILLIP BART)(19)  
1 - NY 100-12959 (CONNIE BART)(19)

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On 12/7/55, [redacted] orally advised that he was in contact with [redacted] on 12/5/55.

[redacted] told informant that [redacted]  
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[redacted] told the informant that at the time [redacted]  
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[redacted] told the informant that the individual known as [redacted] inasmuch as they [redacted] at one time in the early 50's, [redacted] was responsible for [redacted]  
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- 1 - NEWARK (100- [redacted]) (RM)
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- 1 - NEWARK (100- [redacted]) (RM)
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- 1 - NEWARK ( [redacted] ) (RM)
- 1 - NEW YORK (100-4931)(#12-14)
- 1 - NEW YORK ( [redacted] ) (#7-4)
- 1 - NEW YORK (100-56579 (PHIL BART)(#19)

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NY 100-4931

If any of the foregoing information is used in a report or disseminated outside the Bureau, it must be paraphrased to protect the identity of the informant.

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ReBulet to Philadelphia, 2/23/55, instructing that monthly Locom airtels re whereabouts of PHILIP BART be submitted.

Surveillances by NYO agents on 12/7/55, reflected that BART continues to reside in Apartment 4-G, at 2415 Newkirk Avenue, Brooklyn, NY.

NY 1475-S\* advises that BART continues to appear daily at CP Headquarters, 268 7th Avenue, NYC, NY.

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4- BUREAU (100-3-74 sub 42)(LOCOM)(RM)  
(1- BUREAU 100-3284)(PHILIP BART)  
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1- Supervisor, FRANK SMITH (#19)  
1- Supervisor, JIM NEAGLE (#7-5)

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DIRECTOR, FBI (100-72390)

December 13, 1955

SAC, CHICAGO

CLAUDIA JONES  
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EXTREME CARE SHOULD BE USED IN REPORTING  
THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IN ORDER TO PROTECT THE  
IDENTITY OF THE INFORMANT.

CG 5824-S, who has furnished reliable information in the past, orally furnished the following information to SA JOHN F. FEATING on December 13, 1955. The informant advised that he had received this information from PHIL BART and CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT, members of the National Administrative Committee of the Communist Party, and also from JACK KLING, who has told the informant that he was the National Organizational Secretary for the underground. It is also to be noted that CG 5824-S attended a farewell party for CLAUDIA JONES in New York City on Wednesday evening, December 7, 1955. CG 5824-S advised that CLAUDIA JONES is mentally unbalanced and that the CP has had her under the care of a psychiatrist. The Party was very worried that she might start talking to the U. S. Government or take some other drastic action which would be detrimental to the Party. As a result of this the CP did not appeal the deportation order for CLAUDIA JONES feeling that her physical condition, a heart ailment, improved during her jail sentence, therefore, her physical condition would not be ground for a reversal of the deportation order and it was felt that if she were examined by government physicians she might be committed to a mental institution. ~~(S)~~

CG 5824-S learned that the CP spent \$12,000.00 making preparation for JONES' trip to England including medical expenses and the purchase of clothing and other articles, and doing everything possible to keep CLAUDIA JONES in a happy frame of mind. ~~(S)~~

PHIL BART told CG 5824-S that his wife, CONNIE BART, had attempted to obtain a passport to accompany CLAUDIA JONES to England, but was unable to do so. As a result another woman, whose identity is not known to CG 5824-S, is accompanying CLAUDIA JONES to England. ~~(S)~~

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DIRECTOR, FBI

RE: CLAUDIA JONES

The Communist Party, USA, is still very worried that CLAUDIA JONES may not receive the proper treatment in England because of her mental condition. The Party hopes that it can arrange to make the stay of CLAUDIA JONES in England a short one and that arrangements can be made to send her to Russia where she will either receive psychiatric treatment which will cure her mental illness or that she will be kept in Russia if her mental condition does not improve. ~~X~~

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- 2 - Bureau (REGISTERED)
- 3 - New York (REGISTERED)
  - 1 - 100-13676 (CLAUDIA JONES)
  - 1 - 100-12959 (CONNIE BART)
  - 1 - 100-56579 (PHIL BART)
- 4 - Chicago (100-21142)
  - 1 - A)134-46
  - 1 - 61-867 (CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT)
  - 1 - 100-3313 (JACK KLING)

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK(100-56579) DATE: 12/14/55  
 FROM : SA ROBERT H. BERTKE  
 SUBJECT: PHIL BART  
 IS-C

Subject was observed leaving and/or entering 268-7th Ave., NYC, the address of CP, USA Headquarters and the New York State CP Headquarters.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Observed by</u>	<u>Time In</u>	<u>Time Out</u>
12/5/55	MICHAEL D. MC NAMARA ROBERT H. BERTKE	AM PM	AM PM
	PHOTO AVAILABLE (YES) (NO)	AM	AM
	LOCATED 100-4931-1A Roll _____ Frame _____	PM	PM
12/6/55	MICHAEL D. MC NAMARA ROBERT H. BERTKE	AM 3:20 PM	AM 1:40 PM
	PHOTO AVAILABLE (YES) (NO)	AM	AM
	LOCATED 100-4931-1A <sup>68</sup> Roll <u>1</u> Frame <u>28</u>	PM	PM
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12/7/55	EDWARD J. CIBULAY ROBERT H. BERTKE	AM 1:45 PM	AM 1:01 PM
	PHOTO AVAILABLE (YES) (NO)	AM	AM
	LOCATED 100-4931-1A <sup>69</sup> Roll <u>1</u> Frame <u>24,25</u>	PM	PM
12/8/55	MICHAEL D. MC NAMARA ROBERT H. BERTKE	AM 2:33 PM	AM 1:30 PM
	PHOTO AVAILABLE (YES) (NO)	AM	AM
	LOCATED 100-4931-1A <sup>60</sup> Roll <u>1</u> Frame <u>20,21,22,30</u>	PM	PM

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-56579) DATE: 12/14/55

FROM : SA MAURICE T. BOWMAN

SUBJECT: **PHIL BART**  
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Subject was observed leaving and/or entering 268-7th Ave., NYC, the address of CP, USA Headquarters and the New York State CP Headquarters.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Observed by</u>	<u>Time In</u>	<u>Time Out</u>
11/28/55	MAURICE T. BOWMAN MICHAEL D. MC NAMARA	AM PM	AM 12:59 PM
	Photo available (YES) ( <del>NO</del> )	AM	AM
	Located in 100-4931-1A Roll <u>1</u> Frame <u>10/12</u> 602	PM	PM
11/29/55	MAURICE T. BOWMAN ROBERT H. BERTKE	AM 2:56 PM	AM PM
	Photo available ( <del>YES</del> ) (NO)	AM	AM
	Located in 100-4931-1A Roll <u>    </u> Frame <u>    </u>	PM	PM
11/30/55	MAURICE T. BOWMAN MICHAEL D. MC NAMARA	AM PM	AM PM
	Photo available (YES) (NO)	AM	AM
	Located in 100-4931-1A Roll <u>    </u> Frame <u>    </u>	PM	PM
12/1/55	MAURICE T. BOWMAN ROBERT H. BERTKE	AM PM	AM PM
	Photo available (YES) (NO)	AM	AM
	Located in 100-4931-1A Roll <u>    </u> Frame <u>    </u>	PM	PM
12/2/55	MAURICE T. BOWMAN ROBERT H. BERTKE	AM 12:55 PM	12:00 AM PM
	Photo available (YES) ( <del>NO</del> )	AM	AM
	Located in 100-4931-1A Roll <u>1</u> Frame <u>15</u> 603	PM	PM

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3- )

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY - USA  
DISTRICT #12 - ORGANIZATION  
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

DATE: 12-16-55

Care should be used in reporting the following information in order to protect the identity of the informant.

CG 5824-S, who has furnished reliable information in the past, orally furnished the following information to SA JOHN E. KEATING on December 8, 1955. CG 5824-S received this information from PHIL BART and MAX WEISS, both members of the National Administrative Committee of the Communist Party.

Status of Communist Party Organization in States of Washington and Oregon

BART and WEISS stated that the Communist Party in the States of Washington and Oregon is in the worst shape of any area of comparable size. They told CG 5824-S that JAMES TORMEY is not the District Organizer for the Northwest District, but that he had been sent into this district in an effort to help the Party to resolve some of the problems existing there.

TORMEY came to New York City from Seattle to attend the National Conference of the Communist Party, which was held from December 3 through 5, 1955. He was accompanied by a person named NELSON, from Oregon, (possibly BERT GALE NELSON), and a person from Seattle, named [redacted] (ph). These three persons attended the sessions of the National Communist Party Conference. TORMEY planned to spend approximately ten days in New York City and it was not known whether or not he would stay in New York City permanently or whether he would return to Seattle for a period of weeks.

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BART stated that several meetings were held with TORMEY, NELSON and [redacted] and that in [redacted]

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RE: COMMUNIST PARTY - USA  
DISTRICT #12 - ORGANIZATION

BART's, opinion, a solution to the problems in the Northwest District might be to make NELSON the District Organizer. BART stated that the Northwest District has no District Organizer at the present time, and that it is being run by a District Committee. What opinion this committee has of NELSON may determine whether or not he is made the District Organizer.

CG 5824-S was told that when TORMEY arrived at Seattle, he went underground contrary to Party instructions and refused to work openly despite instructions from the National Office to do so. TORMEY told the National Office that he was "cornered" by fourteen FBI agents, and that was the reason he was not operating openly in the Seattle area.

When TORMEY came into New York City for the National Conference, he refused to go to the National Office for what he termed to be security reasons; however, he was finally convinced that it was necessary that he attend some meetings at the National Office.

In talking with TORMEY, BART obtained the following explanation of TORMEY's actions:

TORMEY told BART that when his, TORMEY's, wife, BETTY GANNETT, was sent to jail, she instructed him to be very careful and to protect himself against the possibility of an arrest. GANNETT stated that when she gets out of jail, in all likelihood she may be deported. If this happens, she suggested the possibility that TORMEY may be able to leave the United States with her, provided that he was not arrested while she was in jail. This was TORMEY's explanation for not following Communist Party instructions to work openly.

CG 5824-S stated that he observed that TORMEY is putting on a considerable amount of weight, that his face is becoming more flushed and that it appears that he is drinking excessively. TORMEY is no longer wearing his hair in a crew cut style.

2 - Bureau (REGISTERED)  
5 - New York (REGISTERED)  
(1 - 100-80641)(CP - USA, Organization)  
(1 - 100-56579)(PHIL BART)

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RE: COMMUNIST PARTY - USA  
DISTRICT #12 -- ORGANIZATION

- (1 - 100-13483)(BETTY GANNETT)
- (1 - 100- ) (JAMES TORMEY)
- (1 - 100-18672)(MAX WEISS)
- 2 - Portland (REGISTERED)
  - (1 - 100- ) (CP - USA, Organization)
  - (1 - 100- ) (BERT GALE NELSON)
- 3 - Seattle (REGISTERED)
  - (1 - 100- ) (CP - USA, Organization)
  - (1 - 100- ) (JAMES TORMEY)
  - (1 - 100- ) [REDACTED] (ph)
- 3 - Chicago (100-18056)
  - (1 - A/134-46)
  - (1 - 100-19841)(MAX WEISS)

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On 12/14/55, NY 1650-S\*, advised. CONNIE BART was in contact with EDNA WINSTON, wife of the subject.

According to informant, CONNIE and PHIL BART desired to visit EDNA the evening of 12/15/55. However, EDNA had engaged a painter for that evening and arranged that CONNIE and PHIL come the first part of next week. Informant could furnish no information as to the significance of this meeting.

1-NY (100-12959) (CONNIE BART) (#19)  
1-NY (100-78589) (EDNA WINSTON) (#19)  
①-NY (100-56579) (PHIL BART) (#19)  
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OFFICE MEMORANDUM \* \* \* UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-69)

DATE: 12-14-55

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY - USA  
ORGANIZATION  
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Care should be used in reporting the following information in order to protect the identity of the informant.

CG 5824-S, who has furnished reliable information in the past, orally furnished the following information to SA JOHN E. KEATING on December 8, 1955. The informant received this information in discussions with national Communist Party leaders while in New York City during the period from December 1 through 8, 1955.

National Communist  
Party Leadership

CG 5824-S advised that the Communist Party is preparing to re-establish the national leadership of the Communist Party. This leadership will consist of some of the persons who were originally on the National Committee of the Communist Party, plus some of the so-called secondary leadership, which consists of persons who were in the underground or were in hiding as fugitives. Indications are that the struggle for positions in the national leadership is becoming intensified, since there are more persons available than there are positions to fill.

The conditional parole period for EUGENE DENNIS and JOHN GATES will be terminated on or about December 26, 1955. Both DENNIS and GATES will return to their positions in the national leadership of the Communist Party. MAX WEISS, currently a member of the National Administrative Committee, is being considered for the position of National Executive Secretary of the Communist Party, and FRED FINE, who is supposed to be an excellent man on organization matters, is being considered for the position of National Organizational Secretary.

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Mass Meeting in New York City  
Scheduled for December 27, 1955

With regard to the persons whose conditional parole is not terminated as yet, the Party members attending the National Communist Party Conference held in New York City from December 3 through 5, 1955, were advised not to contact any of these persons while in New York City.

A large mass meeting is scheduled for St. Nicholas Arena in New York City on December 27, 1955. This meeting may be held under the auspices of the Communist Party or the Committee for Freedom of the Press. Speakers will be announced in advance for this meeting. The real purpose of the meeting, however, is for the Party to put the spotlight on EUGENE DENNIS, however, DENNIS and GATES will not be announced as speakers at this meeting until December 26, 1955, or the day that their conditional parole is terminated.

Mass Meeting in New York City  
Scheduled for February 27, 1956

Another mass meeting is scheduled for New York City on February 27, 1956. This meeting may be held under the auspices of either the Communist Party or the Freedom of the Press Committee. This meeting will be designed to accomplish a two-fold purpose. It will be a birthday party for WILLIAM Z. FOSTER, whose 75th birthday is on February 25, and will be designed to place the spotlight on WILLIAM Z. FOSTER. It will also serve to create a platform for a speech by BENJAMIN DAVIS, JR., whose conditional parole will be terminated on February 27, 1956.

Proposed Change of Location of  
Communist Party Headquarters

The Communist Party is looking for a new headquarters, both for the National Office and for the office of the New York District. It has been proposed that space available in the Jefferson School of Social Sciences be utilized; however, the New York District is opposed to this proposition on the basis that a "red tint" would be given to this school.

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At the present time, a building is being considered, the exact address of which is not known to the informant; however, this building is located on 7th Avenue, approximately two blocks from the Jefferson School, and in the vicinity of 25th or 26th Street. The Party would like to have one floor in this building for the National Office, and another floor for the office of the New York District; however, the building needs remodeling, which has to be done at the expense of the tenant. The matter of remodeling expenses has delayed the decision as to whether or not this building will be rented.

Leadership Struggle in  
the New York District

CG 5824-S learned that what is termed the "Brooklyn Gang" has taken over the leadership of the New York District. A part of this leadership is as follows:

GEORGE BLAKE CHARNEY, District  
Organizer or Chairman;

NORMAN SCHRANK, Executive Secretary;

LEON NELSON, Organizational Secretary;

HOWARD "STRETCH" JOHNSON, in charge  
of ideological work;

BERNIE FRIEDLANDER, in charge of  
trade union work;

SAM COLEMAN, who is doing educational work;

"BROOKLYN" BEN DAVIS, Manhattan County  
Organizer;

CHARLES LOWMAN, Brooklyn Organizer;

HERBERT WHEELDIN, Harlem Organizer.

With the exception of CHARNEY, there are no "old-timers" in this group and they are not considered capable by some of the national Communist Party leaders. Thus far,

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GUSTAVE "HAL" SIMON, who along with ROBERT THOMPSON, WILLIAM NORMAN MARRON, and CHARNEY, made up the Secretariat of the New York District for several years, has not been given an assignment in the New York District and is still assigned to the National Office.

EUGENE DENNIS has suggested that JOHN GATES be put in as the District Organizer of the New York District and that he build his own organization, utilizing a few of the present leaders in the New York District, but not all of them. Therefore, a real battle for leadership in the New York District may develop.

CG 5824-S pointed out that the National Office cannot, as a general rule, tolerate a New York District which is in opposition to it, therefore, it is necessary for the National Office to bring about some changes in the New York District leadership. This problem of leadership will have to be settled prior to the contemplated National Convention of the Communist Party, scheduled for the Spring of 1956, inasmuch as the Communist Party cannot have a convention with divided groups.

Fight Concerning the  
International Line of  
the Communist Party

In conversations with MAX WEISS, NEMMY "NED" SPARKS, PHIL BART and CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT, CG 5824-S learned that an old fight regarding the Communist Party line may be raised once again. This struggle goes back to the days prior to the Foley Square trial and involved DENNIS and his forces against FOSTER and his forces. This fight, which involves international policy, is not out in the open as yet.

The essence of this disagreement is as follows:

FOSTER has been saying since 1945 that there will be another major war. EUGENE DENNIS and his followers minimize the possibility of another major war in the immediate future.

At the present time, JOE CLARK and JOE STAROBIN are writing on subjects dealing with international relations in the "Daily Worker". STAROBIN's theme is that the United States

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has always had peaceful intensions in international relations, or at least has had no tendency toward war-like intentions. FOSTER states that the United States has a war-like tendency in international relations.

The position of JOE CLARK is similar to that of JOE STAROBIN and he has prepared a document in which he takes issue with the Communist Party on foreign policy. CG 5824-S stated that when MAX WEISS said that Geneva is not the beginning of the end of the cold war, as he did at the National Conference of the Communist Party held in New York City from December 3 through 5, 1955, that WEISS was polemizing against JOE CLARK.

FOSTER has demanded the removal of JOE CLARK as Foreign Editor of the "Daily Worker", stating that CLARK has no business representing the Party at international conferences, since he has a distorted point of view. Because of this, the Communist Party - USA is telling other Communist Parties that both CLARK and STAROBIN are personae non grata. CLARK will be called before the National Administrative Committee of the Communist Party and told to adhere to the position of the Communist Party or to shut-up. In all probability, he will be removed as Foreign Editor of the "Daily Worker".

STAROBIN has published a new book and the Party is preparing to blast this book, stating that it smells of Browderism. It is said that he has committed the same sin as EARL BROWDER, that is, attributing intelligence and peaceful intentions to American capitalism.

While EUGENE DENNIS and MAX WEISS support FOSTER on the issue of CLARK and STAROBIN, as indicated previously they do not agree 100% with FOSTER's position in this matter. They will, however, carry through the necessary disciplinary action with regard to CLARK and STAROBIN in order to comply with FOSTER's wishes and thus maintain FOSTER as a cover for the national Communist Party leadership because he is a publically known figure.

In the meantime, all districts of the Communist Party are being told not to plan any lectures by either CLARK or STAROBIN under the auspices of the Communist Party until further notice.

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- 2 - Bureau (REGISTERED)  
30 - New York (REGISTERED)
- (1 - 100-80641) (CP - USA, Organization)
  - (1 - 100-81675) (CP - USA, Pamphlets and Publications)
  - (1 - 100- ) (CP - USA, Line)
  - (1 - 100-87211) (CP - USA, Factionalism)
  - (1 - 100-86624) (CP - USA, International Relations)
  - (1 - 100-26603) (CP - USA, District #2)
  - (1 - 100- ) ("Daily Worker")
  - (1 - 100- ) (Committee for Freedom of the Press)
  - (1 - 100- ) (Jefferson School of Social Sciences)
  - (1 - 100-50806) (GEORGE BLAKE CHARNEY)
  - (1 - 100- ) (JOSEPH CLARK)
  - (1 - 100- ) (SAM COLEMAN)
  - (1 - 100-23825) (BEN DAVIS, JR.)
  - (1 - 100- ) ("BROOKLYN" BEN DAVIS)
  - (1 - 100-8057) (EUGENE DENNIS)
  - (1 - 100-89816) (FRED FINE)
  - (1 - 100-9365) (WILLIAM Z. FOSTER)
  - (1 - 100-22066) (BERNIE FRIEDLANDER)
  - (1 - 100-17923) (JOHN GATES)
  - (1 - 100- ) (HOWARD "STRETCH" JOHNSON, JR.)
  - (1 - 100- ) (CHARLES LOWMAN)
  - (1 - 100-14859) (ALAN MAX)
  - (1 - 100-63755) (LEON NELSON)
  - (1 - 100- ) (NORMAN SCHRANK)
  - (1 - 100-28609) (GUSTAVE "HAL" SIMON)
  - (1 - 100-9573) (NEMMY "NED" SPARKS)
  - (1 - 100- ) (JOSEPH STAROBIN)
  - (1 - 100-18672) (MAX WEISS)
  - (1 - 100- ) (HERBERT WHELDIN)
  - 1 - 100-56579 (PHIL BART)
- 6 - Chicago (100-18953)
- (1 - A/134-46)
  - (1 - 100-18001) (FRED FINE)
  - (1 - 100-19841) (MAX WEISS)
  - (1 - 61-867) (CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT)
  - (1 - 100-20881) (CP - USA, Line)

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December 15, 1955

SAC, CHICAGO (100-22363)

COMMUNIST PARTY - USA  
DISTRICT #19 - ORGANIZATION  
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Care should be used in reporting the following information in order to protect the identity of the informant.

CG 5824-S, who has furnished reliable information in the past, orally furnished the following information to SA JOHN E. KEATING on December 8, 1955. The informant obtained this information from PHIL BART, member of the National Administrative Committee of the Communist Party, during the period between December 1 through 8, 1955.

BART stated that the Communist Party organization in the Colorado District is having some difficulties; however, he did not elaborate on this statement. He told CG 5824-S that this district has nine states in its territory.

BART stated that ART BARY'S physical condition is getting weaker. BARY has an abscess on a lung but does not have tuberculosis. He is presently taking some medication for this illness and this medication is extremely expensive.

It is noted that both [redacted] attended the National Communist Party Conference, which was held in New York City during the period from December 3 through 5, 1955.

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BART told CG 5824-S that he asked [redacted] about her domestic situation, that is, the relationship between her and her husband. She told BART that the situation has improved and that if this improvement continues, she will not raise the matter officially. BART told CG 5824-S that for the time being, at least, the National Office would also not raise this matter officially.

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- 2 - Bureau (REGISTERED)
- 2 - New York (REGISTERED)
  - (1 - 100-90641) (CP - USA, Organization)
  - (1 - 100-56573) (PAUL BART)
- 3 - Denver (REGISTERED)
  - (1 - 100- ) (CP - USA, Organization)
  - (1 - 100- ) (ARTHUR BARK)
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-69)  
FROM : SAC, CHICAGO  
SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY - USA  
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DATE: 12-16-55

CARE SHOULD BE USED IN REPORTING THE FOLLOWING  
INFORMATION IN ORDER TO PROTECT THE IDENTITY OF THE  
INFORMANT.

CG 5824-S, who has furnished reliable information in the past, orally advised SA JOHN E. KEATING on December 8, 1955, that in conversations with some of the persons mentioned below, he has learned that the following are members of the National Administrative Committee of the Communist Party. CG 5824-S stated that this may not be the complete membership of the National Administrative Committee:

PHIL BART  
AL BLUMBERG  
CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT  
JULIAN LOWITT  
GUSTAVE "HAL" SIMON  
MARTHA STONE  
ED STRONG  
MAX WEISS  
LEON WOPSY

- 2 - Bureau (REGISTERED)
- 1 - Newark (100- MARTHA STONE)(REGISTERED)
- 10 - New York (REGISTERED)
  - 1 - 100-80641 (CP, USA, ORGANIZATION)
  - ① - 100-56579 (PHIL BART)
  - 1 - 100-9984 (AL BLUMBERG)
  - 1 - 100-98699 (CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT)
  - 1 - 100-80398 (JULIAN LOWITT)
  - 1 - 100-28609 (GUSTAVE "HAL" SIMON)
  - 1 - 100-66211 (MARTHA STONE)
  - 1 - 100-20649 (ED STRONG)
  - 1 - 100-18672 (MAX WEISS)
  - 1 - 100-54899 (LEON WOPSY)
- 1 - Philadelphia (100-7800 ED STRONG)(REGISTERED)
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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION. DECEMBER 19, 1955

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Transmit the following message to: SAC, NEW YORK

PHILIP BART, INTERNAL SECURITY - C, SMITH ACT OF 1940.

Reurairtel December 14, 1955, captioned "CP, USA, Underground Operations, IS - C." Reairtel advised that material obtained on December 14, 1955, contained "what is apparently correspondence between the Passport Division of the State Department and the Barts."

Immediately furnish, under instant caption, details concerning this correspondence.

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TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-56579) (19)

DATE: 12/19/55

FROM : [REDACTED] SA

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b7CSUBJECT: PHILIP BART, was  
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On 11/29/55, NY 1637-S\* furnished this office material in the possession of PHIL and CONNIE BART.

On 6/3/55, NY 694-S\* who has furnished reliable information in the past, stated that PHIL BART was National Organizational Secretary of the CP, USA.

NK 2010-S\*, who is in a position to furnish reliable information, advised on 5/20/55 that CONNIE BART had been in the CP, USA Underground for approximately four years.

[REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on 10/25/55 that CONNIE BART was employed full time in connection with activities of the Civil Rights Congress.

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Included in the material was a paper containing the notation -

[REDACTED]

If this material is to be disseminated, appropriate means should be taken to protect the informant.

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The original negative containing this notation is in the 1B section of 100-56579.

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" [REDACTED] "

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cc: 1 - NY 65-737 [REDACTED] (6)

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-56579) (19)

DATE: 12/19/55

FROM :  SAb6  
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Included in the material was a paper containing the notation -

" ~~ZIET~~ 500 7th Ave. (ask for Jackie) "

ZIET Co., 500 7th Ave. New York, N.Y. is a retail clothing outlet.

If this material is to be disseminated, appropriate means should be taken to protect the informant.

The original negative containing this notation is in the 1B section of 100-56579.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

290 Broadway  
New York 7, New York

In Reply, Please Refer to  
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~~PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL~~

December 21, 1955

Mr. Edward L. Braune, Agent  
New York Telephone Company  
140 West Street  
New York 7, New York

Dear Mr. Braune:

In connection with an official investigation being conducted by this office it is requested that you furnish listings for the following telephone numbers:

ES 5-0765  
ES 2-4954  
BA 7-4736

Your cooperation in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

*James J. Kelly*  
JAMES J. KELLY  
Special Agent in Charge

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**A I R T E L**

**NY, NY, 12/21/55**

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**PHILIP BART  
IS-C, SA-40**

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ReBuairtel 12/19/55, referring to info furnished by NY 1637-S\*.

There are being attached to copies of this airtel photographic copies of the "apparent correspondence between the Passport Division of the State Department and the BARTS". It should be noted that the correspondence consists of a regular letter sized blank piece of paper to which is attached a Department of State Passport Agency inquiry slip. The second photograph reveals the complete writing on the regular letter sized paper when the slip is removed.

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It should be noted that by letter dated 12/13/55, The Chicago Office advised the Bureau that info furnished by CG 5824-S included a statement to the informant by PHIL BART that his wife, CONNIE BART, had attempted to obtain a passport to accompany CLAUDIA JONES to England but was unable to do so. For the further info of the Bureau, it should be noted that NY 1637-S\* on 12/7/55 had furnished info that CONNIE BART had written to the Bureau of Vital Statistics, State Department of Health, Tallahassee, Florida, by letter dated 11/21/55, requesting a birth certificate, claiming birth in Ocala, Marion County, Florida, on 8/4/01, and stating that she needed a copy of her birth certificate to secure employment. The same informant advised that by letter dated 11/30/55, the Florida State Board of Health advised CONSTANCE STRAUSS BART that a careful search of their records failed to find a birth certificate on file for her name.

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- 3 - BUREAU (100-3284)(REGULAR MAIL, RM) (Encs.-2)
- 1 - NY 100-56579 (PHILIP BART)
- 1 - NY 100-12959 (CONNIE BART)

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DIRECTOR, FBI

12/22/55

SAC, NEW YORK (100-80634)

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On 11/29/55, NY 1637-S\* furnished material in the possession of PHIL and CONNIE BART.

On 6/3/55, NY 694-S\*, who has furnished reliable information in the past, stated that PHIL BART was National Organizational Secretary of the CP, USA.

NK 210-S\*, who is in a position to furnish reliable information, made available on 3/3/55, a document which reflects that CONNIE BART was a functionary in the National CP Congress Apparatus, for 4 years.

[redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on 10/25/55, that CONNIE BART was employed full-time in connection with the activities of the Civil Rights Congress.

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The Civil Rights Congress has been designated by the Attorney General of the US pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

Included among this material were photographs of a three page memorandum dated February, 1955, and entitled, "MEMO TO ASSIST IN CLARIFYING ISSUES IN DISCUSSION ON COOPERATIVES". This memo briefly discusses the "Farm Crisis", and goes on to discuss the advantages and disadvantages of cooperatives in a farm economy.

NY 1637-S\* also furnished on 11/29/55, photographic copies of a three page typewritten memorandum dated 9/10/55, addressed to the National Farm Commission from FRANCIS G. FINK, Santa Rosa, California. The subject matter of this document is listed as:

1. 'Farm Crisis' (Pamphlet)
2. 'Cooperatives'

- 2 - Bureau (Enc. 1) (RM)
- 1 - San Francisco (Enc. 1) (RM)
- 3 - New York (100-80634) (#12-14)
- ② - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) (#19)
- 1 - NY 100-12959 (CONNIE BART) (#19)

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Letter to Director  
NY 100-80634

This memorandum criticizes the pamphlet entitled, "Farm Crisis" as being too complex and too all-inclusive for general consumption. This memo also indicates that the Sonoma County Farm Commission has been discouraging farm cooperatives, whereas the pamphlet "Farm Crisis" instructed that farmer cooperatives were to be encouraged. The Sonoma County Farm Commission therefore sought clarification on the purpose position relative to cooperatives.

Photostatic copies of these two documents are enclosed for the Bureau and San Francisco.

If this material is to be disseminated, extreme care should be used in protecting the identity of the informant.

SAC, NEW YORK (100-4931)

12/1/55

SA JOHN DENNIS O'CONNELL, #19

CP, USA  
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On 11/29/55, NY 1637-S\* made available information in the possession of PHILLIP and CONSTANCE BART. Included among the information furnished by the informant was a mimeographed notice addressed to "Connie", which was contained in an envelope addressed to CONNIE BART with the return address, "P.O. Box 87, Cooper Station, New York 3, N. Y." This mimeographed notice was also addressed to all districts and to all NAC members and was dated 11/9/55, advising that the national conference would take place on 12/3, 4 & 5 at Yugoslav Hall, 405 West 41st St., NYC, and that the agenda consisted of:

1. Significance of Geneva
2. Electoral Policy and Tasks for '56
3. Youth work

It should also be noted that not part of the mimeographed notice was a P.S. in type advising CONNIE BART that they start the conference at 10 a.m. sharp.

A copy of this mimeographed notice and envelope is being attached to the original of this memorandum.

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- 1 - NY 100-96985 (CP, USA, UNDERGROUND OPERATIONS) (#19)
- 1 - NY 100-12959 (CONSTANCE BART) (#19)
- 1 - NY 100-56579 (PHILLIP BART) (#19)

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December 15, 1955

SAC, CHICAGO

COMMUNIST PARTY - USA  
MEMBERSHIP  
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Care should be used in reporting the following information in order to protect the identity of the informant.

CG 5824-S, who has furnished reliable information in the past, orally advised SA JOHN E. KEATING on December 8, 1955, that he had been told by PHIL BART, member of the National Administrative Committee of the Communist Party, who holds the position equivalent to the National Organizational Secretary of the Communist Party, on December 2, 1955, that the total national Communist Party dues payments received by the National Office of the Communist Party for the first 10½ months of 1955 was 130,000.

BART stated that this figure was very disappointing, particularly in view of the fact that the registration occurred during a part of this time and dues payments normally increased during a registration with the payment of back dues.

BART hoped that the figures for the remaining 1½ months, which would also include the registration period, would show an increase in dues payments.

- 2 - Bureau (REGISTERED)
- ② - New York (REGISTERED)
  - (1 - 100-80638) (CP-USA, Membership)
  - (1 - 100-56579) (PHIL BART)
- 2 - Chicago (100-18952)
  - (1 - A) 134-46

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3) DATE: 12/16/55

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-4931)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
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Remyairtel 11/18/55.

[redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, orally advised the following on 11/16/55:

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Informant visited CP Headquarters, NYC, on [redacted], and upon arrival in NYC telephoned PHIL BART, member of the National Administrative Committee (NAC) at CP Headquarters. BART [redacted]

[redacted] and that the informant should proceed to CP Headquarters on Seventh Avenue, NYC.

Upon arriving at CP Headquarters, informant saw the following people there in the National Office:

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- 7 - BUREAU (100-3)(RM)
- 1 - [redacted] (100-15716) (RM)
- 1 - 100-3-94 (UNDERGROUND OPERATIONS)
- 1 - 100-3-4 (NEW YORK STATE CP)
- 1 - 100-3-84 (SECURITY MEASURES)
- 1 - 100-3-81 (INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS)
- 4 - CHICAGO (100- ) (RM)
- 1 - 100- (UNDERGROUND OPERATIONS, DISTRICT 8)
- 1 - 100- (MAX WEISS)
- 1 - 100- (CP, USA, DISTRICT 8)
- 4 - NEWARK (100- ) (RM)
- 1 - 100- (MARTHA STONE) b7D
- 1 - [redacted]
- 1 - 100-4384N (PARK MATTERS, DISTRICT 4)
- 5 - PHILADELPHIA (100- ) (RM)
- 1 - 100- (POLITICAL ACTIVITIES, DISTRICT 3)
- 1 - 100- (GITT)
- 1 - 100- (DAVE DAVIS)
- 1 - 100- (JOE ROBERTS)

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1 - NEW YORK (100-4931)(#12-14)

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PHIL BART  
MARTHA STONE  
MAX WEISS  
HAL SIMON.

Informant advised these four individuals, together with AL BLUMBERG and NEMMY SPARKS, are members of the National CP Staff.

Informant advised that NEMMY SPARKS just left CP Headquarters as he arrived.

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2 - PORTLAND (100- ) (RM)  
1 - 100- (CP, USA, DISTRICT 11)

28 - NEW YORK

1 - [redacted] (7-4)  
1 - 100-56579 (PHIL BART)(12-14)  
1 - 100-66211 (MARTHA STONE)(7-5)  
1 - 100-18672 (MAX WEISS)(7-5)  
1 - 100-28609 (HAL SIMON)(19)  
1 - 100-9984 (AL BLUMBERG)(7-5)  
1 - 100-9573 (NEMMY SPARKS)(19)  
1 - 100-13483 (BETTY GANNETT)(12-14)  
1 - 100-269 (HENRY WINSTON)(7-5)  
1 - 100-26603 (NEW YORK STATE CP)(12-14)  
1 - 100-126098 [redacted] (12-14)  
1 - 100- (UNSUB: White female. 45-50, 5'3"-5'4",  
125 lbs.; per [redacted] 11/16/55)(7-6)  
1 - 100-50806 (GEORGE BLAKE CHARNEY)(12-14)  
1 - 100-79967 (BEN DAVIS)(19)  
1 - 100-23290 (NORMAN SCHRANK)(12-14)  
1 - 100-63755 (LEON NELSON)(12-14)  
1 - 100-81338 (SECURITY MEASURES)(19)  
1 - 100-8057 (EUGENE DENNIS)(7-5)  
1 - 100-26603-C43(KINGS COUNTY CP)(20-11)  
1 - 100-26603-C40(BRONX COUNTY CP)(20-10)  
1 - 100-26603-C429NEW YORK COUNTY CP)(12-14)  
1 - 100-96985 (UNDERGROUND OPERATIONS)(19)  
1 - 100-66938 (CHARLES COE)(20-11)  
1 - 100-86624 (INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS)(12-14)  
1 - 100-80634 (FARM MATTERS)(12-14)  
1 - 100-19249 (JACK KLING)(19)  
1 - 100-9352 (A.B.MAGIL)(12-15)

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BART told the informant that SPARKS is in charge of propaganda and education affairs for the Party, replacing BETTY GANNETT.

Informant advised BART is a replacement for HENRY WINSTON in the organizational field.

Informant ascertained that HAL SIMON is the Party Trade Union Head.

Informant was unable to learn the specific Party title for MAX WEISS.

[redacted] advised that the CP NAC is composed of the following individuals:

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MARTHA STONE  
AL BLUMBERG  
PHIL BART.

Informant did not know if other individuals had been added to the NAC.

MARTHA STONE indicated her time is occupied by her trial in Connecticut.

The offices of the New York State CP consist of one large room about 40 feet long and 15 feet wide. The front of this office is separated by a partition which actually makes the front of this large room a small office.

Two women work at Party Headquarters. One is called [redacted] (possibly [redacted] who appears to be the switchboard operator and receptionist.

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Another woman appears to be the office manager who receives visitors at Party Headquarters. Informant advised

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he knows this person but was unable to recall her name.  
He described her as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Female
Age	45-50
Height	5'3"-5'4"
Weight	125 lbs.
Hair	Very black, straight
Characteristics	Wears rimmed glasses
Complexion	Swarthy

Informant advised he found the following individuals present at the New York State CP office:

GEORGE BLAKE CHARNEY  
"Brooklyn" BEN DAVIS  
NORMAN SCHRANK  
LEON NELSON.

Informant advised that from the conversation of the above named individuals in the New York State CP Headquarters, it appeared to him that they were full time organizers, and either worked at or out of the New York State CP Office, or in connection with the New York State Party office.

In the National Office and the New York State Office, informant saw a large blackboard about five feet by five feet. Informant advised that when Party people who are engaged in conversation in either the National or State Office come to mention a name they proceed to the blackboard and write the name on the blackboard for security reasons. They then erase the name from the blackboard.

Informant advised that from the collection of chalk dust at the bottom of the blackboard it appeared to him that the blackboard in each office is used tremendously.

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Informant engaged in conversation with MAX WEISS, who told him he had just returned from Chicago. WEISS told the informant he had been given permission to travel. Informant advised WEISS is not assigned to anything particular as yet and is unsettled from a housing standpoint.

Informant advised he ascertained from WEISS that during the long period before WEISS appeared in the "open", WEISS had the job centered around Chicago and was in charge of the following small adjacent states:

Missouri  
Indiana  
Iowa  
Wisconsin  
Minnesota  
North Dakota  
South Dakota  
Nebraska.

Informant ascertained that WEISS was the National Office representative in charge of this group of states, dealing with the various heads of these districts for the National Office.

At one point in this conversation with WEISS, BART interrupted and stated he had the same job as WEISS at one time, but did not indicate the dates that he had this job.

Informant advised that NORMAN SCHRANK told BART that if a decision is not made quickly on the question of a new headquarters, he would quit as it is a "mad house" where they are now.

BART told SCHRANK that the question of a new headquarters would be settled at the beginning of the week.

Informant advised SCHRANK appears to be an office functionary.



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BART advised that until recently the two rooms that the Party now has were sufficient. BART, however, pointed out that with additional people appearing in the "open", together with the six people now in the National Office, the room space is insufficient. BART also pointed out that after the first of the year EUGENE DENNIS, Et Al, will also be located in the Party office, thus making it that much more crowded and impossible to work. BART indicated a decision was reached to move, therefore. He said the Party has three places to move but did not name them.

Informant concluded from the remarks of BART that the Party is pursuing its "open" policy and is "putting a thinness" to its underground venture.

Informant also ascertained, and added that this information was corroborated through LIL GATES recently, that in Manhattan at least three or four "open" Party Headquarters will be established. One will be opened in Harlem, another will be opened in Puerto Rican Lower Harlem, a third will be opened in the Lincoln Square area on the West Side, and another will possibly be opened in the Lower East Side.

Informant advised he heard no mention of reopening a Party office in Queens County, Bronx County, or Kings County. He advised he was of the opinion, however, that inasmuch as Party offices were being reopened in Manhattan, that Party offices would be reopened in the various other boroughs.

Informant advised it was his opinion that the Party leadership is striving to come out into the "open" more and more and the Party will be more public and prominent in the future.

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Informant advised that in line with the decision of the Party to give up as a bad job its efforts to grow by surreptitious methods and underground methods and in line with recent decisions to come out into the "open" as much as possible, Party leaders now say they "work in a new way". Informant advised that translated this means the Party is working more diligently and intensely in the infiltration field to meld with other groups and movements.

Informant advised that "working in a new way" by the Party is evident in a few of the Party's activities, particularly, in the field of defense.

Informant pointed out that recently a public statement was issued and signed by approximately 280 persons. This statement which was published in the New York "Times" attacked the Smith Act and the use of the Smith Act. Informant advised that the persons who signed the statement used their names to insist that the rights of the Party be observed and granted. Informant advised that this statement is an example of "working in a new way". Informant advised that the Party "working in a new way" means their involving influential persons and movements to speak up for and "go to bat" for the Party and its members and for the rights of the Communists to function as a legitimate party.

Informant advised that for the past four years the Party has fought on the basis of its own strength but found it unprofitable and was set back. "Working in a new way" means the Party will develop the united front tactic to the highest degree. Informant advised that "working in a new way" means the Party will strive to influence and move into action on the side of Party forces, those forces previously silent or opposed to the Party.

Informant advised that this is the significance of the statement signed by about 280 persons recently.

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Informant advised that PHIL BART <sup>and</sup> GEORGE BLAKE CHARNEY were "tickled" over two/three recent developments.

One is the statement previously described.

The other is the fact that NORMAN THOMAS, an anti-Communist, has now agreed to circulate a financial appeal throughout the United States on behalf of the Party and convicted Communists.

BART and CHARNEY are "tickled" that THOMAS and MURRAY KEMPTON, a writer of the New York "Post", and also an anti-Communist, have agreed to serve upon a National Defense Committee with others for the Party.

Informant advised the Party feels these two individuals are noted anti-Communists and their present attitude reflects <sup>either</sup> a commencing of the thaw or a "gang up" against the Party. The Party feels it is in their interest to prod this situation forward.

Informant advised this is the manner in which the Party is "working in a new way".

"Working in a new way" means the Party is working with other forces on common interests and issues such as the protection of civil liberties and civil rights.

"Working in a new way" means the Party working in a less of a dogmatic narrow form. The Party will thus try to do away with the conspiratorial aspects of the Party and try to come out more in the "open" and insist on their right to function.

Informant advised the Party is attempting to unfold an artful, tactical change in their approach and method of functioning, which can result in the strengthening of the Party in fields where the Party was previously weak.

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Informant advised that fundamentally the change in Party tactics stems from the Geneva Conference. He advised it also stems from the desires of the leaders of the SU to bring about an easing of the sharpness of the present situation which they themselves have created. Informant advised it also stems from the policy of the SU leaders to strive to create a basis for their policy of co-existence, which has resulted in the Soviet Union "dulling a lot of its sharpness" and not being so adamant. Informant advised it means the Party in various countries will follow the line of the Soviet Union.

Informant noted that MOHOREZ, leader of the French CP, issued a most important statement along the united front line in an effort to recreate the old peoples front set up in France. The American Party, following this statement, is striving to work with and be a part of responsible Democratic circles of American life. The Party will endeavor to enlist these circles in defense of the aims of the Party.

This, according to the informant, is what NORMAN THOMAS, MURRAY KEMPTON, and the 280 persons who signed the aforementioned statement, are falling into.

Informant advised that NORMAN THOMAS has a large following among liberals and THOMAS will have the effect of softening a big group of other people who will follow him.

Informant advised the Party is satisfied to know they have made these small beginnings and feel they are on the right track.

Informant advised the Party is now swerving from its dogmatic "go it alone" policy and is now becoming "sweetness and light".

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BART told the informant that he had been sick for the better part of the month and had not been around and had his hands in things as much as he should have.

BART doubted that much would be done before the beginning of 1956, inasmuch as EUGENE DENNIS, Et Al, are expected back at about that time.

Informant advised that on November 14, LIL GATES advised him that the parole of JOHN GATES expires 12/26/55, and the day after he will be at Party Headquarters.

Informant advised it appears to him that the Party is trying to hang on for the time being, trying to fit, people into various places.

BART told the informant a National Conference would be held on 12/3,4,5/55, and wrote the dates on the blackboard rather than actually mentioning the dates. He then proceeded to erase the dates from the blackboard.

BART told the informant that with the appearance of DENNIS, Et Al, "things will pick up". He indicated that he knew that farm work had been dragging and that the Party's trade union work had not been taken care of. BART indicated that he realized the importance of both and told the informant that these two subjects would be taken up at the National Conference.

BART told the informant that in Pennsylvania and wrote the name Pennsylvania on the blackboard and then erased it, one of the members of the staff of Governor LEADER, and wrote the name of Governor LEADER on the blackboard, and then erased it, is a former Progressive Party leader. BART then wrote the name of the individual "GIT" on the blackboard, and then erased the name.

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He described "GIT" as an owner of a New York newspaper and as having been one of the leaders of the HENRY WALLACE movement. BART told the informant that in Pennsylvania the Party, therefore, has a friend on Governor LEADER's staff and has a basis of approach for making a break on the political front there. He pointed out, however, that they have not been able to get around to it. Informant pointed out that BART was scheduled to be in Philadelphia, with JOE ROBERTS and DAVE DAVIS to discuss with them the whole political situation and try to make something out of it, particularly in the Lehigh Congressional District.

Informant advised that it was clear to him from BART's talk that nothing important is being done except to hold the Party together until the return of EUGENE DENNIS, Et Al.

BART told informant that JACK KLING recently turned up in the "open" and wanted to know what he could do. According to BART, the Party told KLING to take a slow trip through the midwest and then give a first hand report to the Party on conditions in the midwest.

The Party sent A.B. MAGIL to the West and Northwest where he spent four weeks in California, Washington, Oregon, Montana, and Colorado.

BART told the informant that MAGIL brought back an encouraging report which reflected tremendous opportunities for the Party. BART was particularly enthusiastic as to the conditions MAGIL found in Oregon, but did not indicate to the informant what these conditions were.

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Informant advised BART had an appointment for 6:30 PM that day and at 6:30 an individual, unknown to the informant, came in to see BART and the informant concluded his conversation with him.

If any of the foregoing information which has been furnished by [redacted] is disseminated outside of the Bureau or incorporated into an investigative report, it must be paraphrased to protect the identity of this informant.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM \* UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, New York (100-96985) DATE: December 20, 1955  
FROM : SAC, Detroit (100-17226)  
SUBJECT: CP, USA UNDERGROUND OPERATIONS  
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Informant CSDE 579-S\*  
Date Received September 2, 1955  
Location 100-945-1B5-1

CSDE 579-S\*, a source close to NAT GANLEY, was and who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on September 2, 1955, that GANLEY had in his possession a 1955 diary which contained the following entries for June, 1955:

"Wed. 1 35,000 10 AM Abe's (call illegible word)  
Rouge Rally 6 PM [redacted]

Thurs. 2 2 PM Friedman  
2908 Holbrook  
1 PM [redacted] (believed to be identical with  
[redacted] former CP  
[redacted] Sec. of CP, New  
York.)

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Fri. 3 10 AM Abe  
11 AM Mich. Wker (possibly "Michigan Worker")  
8 PM Cass (possibly Cass Street, Detroit,  
Michigan)

Sat. 4 . Patty (possibly PATTY GANLEY) left  
1:30 Saul (possibly SAUL WELLMAN) Blaine  
(Possibly Blaine Street, Detroit, Michigan)

Family picnic  
Bernie (possibly BERNARD BELLINSON)

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*Lead to present  
info. from [redacted]  
a phone #  
will be handled  
out? back file copy  
[redacted] 78*



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Sun. 5 11 AM Auto issue  
Ford settlement

Mon. 6 10 Bern (possibly BERNARD BELLINSON)  
Rouge Rally

9:30 AM Saul's (possibly SAUL WELLMAN's  
residence, 3000 Clairmont, Detroit,  
Michigan)

8 PM Dexter Carter (possibly Dexter and  
Carter Streets, Detroit, Michigan)  
[redacted]

Tues. 7 9:30 AM Saul's  
(possibly SAUL  
WELLMAN's  
residence) *225 Park*

8:30 PM Colling -  
Broad NE 1st H.  
(possibly 1st house  
on the northeast  
corner of Collingwood  
and Broadstreet,  
Detroit, Michigan.)

Wed. 8 10:00 AM - Abe 9:30 SW (possibly SAUL WELLMAN)

Thurs. 9 3 PM Dr. Friedman  
8 PM (illegible word)

Fri. 10 10 AM - Bridge (possibly Ambassador Bridge in  
Detroit) - (illegible word)

9:30 pick up Abe home

Sat. 11 11 AM

9 AM Linwood Euclid (possibly Linwood and  
Euclid Streets, Detroit)

Red Pete  
[redacted]

Drug Store at Grand River and  
Joy Road, Detroit, Michigan)  
George (possibly George from Michigan)  
(Andy)

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"Sun. 12 6 PM Bernies (possibly BERNARD BELLINSON  
or BELLINSON's residence, 3786 Glynn,  
Detroit, Michigan.)  
Saul (possibly SAUL WELLMAN)  
L 600 Council

2 PM - Cas. Toledo (May possibly refer to a  
meet with JOHN STEMPLE of Toledo,  
Ohio, at the Belle Isle Casino,  
Detroit, Michigan)

Auto-issue

Mon. 13 10 AM W. Warren G. Blvd (Emil) (possibly  
pertains to a meet with EMIL at  
West Warren and Grand Boulevard,  
Detroit, Michigan.)  
See (illegible word) June 20

(R) 8:20 PM ← Max (possibly MAX CHAIT)

Tues. 14 1 to 4 PM - Saul's (possibly SAUL WELLMAN's  
residence)  
prepare questionnaire on LU

Humphrey 3824 ←  
a) results  
b) (three illegible words)  
plan of work"

It is to be noted that [ ] resides  
at [ ] Detroit, Michigan.

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"Wed. 15 Send (illegible word) to Walter (possibly  
WALTER BARRY) on AC meet (possibly auto-  
commission meet)  
McKie (possibly WILLIAM McKIE) letter

Thurs. 16 2 PM - Dr. Friedman  
X open ?



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"Sat. 25 Noon [redacted] - Home  
Alex  
2 PM (illegible word) } Casino Fish 9 PM  
Drug Wy & Joy  
(SE)(ag\_)  
Bd report auto.  
neg  
Eve

Sun. 26 Bd

Mon. 27 N.Y.?  
Northwest - 3:35 PM coach 7:30 PM -  
Doris (possibly DORIS FINE, wife of Communist  
Fugitive, FRED FINE.) in NY -  
[redacted]

Tues. 28 8 PM Seat - TU  
Report Hal ---- (illegible word)  
8 PM (illegible word)

Wed. 29 10 to 1 PM - Jeff School (possibly Jefferson  
School of Social Science, New  
York City.)  
6th and 17th  
9 PM Jefferson School Office

Thurs. 30 10 AM (illegible word) 6 AM Natl Office  
Jeff School - Eve Bkly Fay (possibly FAY VEDRO)"

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According to the Informant the following notations appeared on a page of GANLEY's diary adjacent to the page containing his diary notes for Sunday, June 26, 1955, through Saturday, July 2, 1955:

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"1:40 Saul (possibly SAUL WELLMAN)  
259 - Sam - Teamsters"

Hastie open - (illegible word) -- for papers  
Billy - Sheila's father has message for you

a) Doris (possibly DORIS FINE) in N.Y. with [redacted]  
[redacted] New York CP  
member) GE 6-2854

b) Phil B. (possibly PHIL BART, member of  
National Administration Committee. CP)  
message to [redacted]  
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c) Ted (possibly [redacted])  
Trinity 2-9162 ([redacted]) advised on October  
31, 1955, that TR 2-9162 is listed to an  
outside phone booth near the Safeway Market,  
8410 Woodward, Detroit, Michigan.)

12 Midnight 10 Mi.  
10:30 AM Tues - (illegible word)

d) Fay = Vedro (possibly wife of CARL VEDRO,  
New York key figure) - Message attached.

e) Bus deal (Ann & M)  
(possibly ERNEST GOODMAN)

f) UAW (illegible word) brief on Mc Cart. Sup  
Ct. case (Senate Henning Com. hearings)

↑ ) Saul (possibly SAUL WELLMAN) - Send Phil B.  
(possibly PHIL BART) Toledo automation Study."

Information as furnished by CSDE 570-S\* on  
March 28, 1955, and June 17, 1955, a source close to [redacted]  
[redacted] and who has furnished reliable information in  
the past, indicated that individuals utilizing the aliases

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of [redacted]  
and [redacted] have been operating in the underground apparatus,  
[redacted]

[redacted] is a key figure of the  
Detroit Division and information as furnished by CSDE 570-  
S\* on March 28, 1955, and June 17, 1955, indicates that  
[redacted] is possibly maintaining records of [redacted] CP,  
open and underground activities.

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NAT GANLEY, SAUL WELLMAN, and PHIL SCHATZ  
were convicted for conspiracy to violate the Smith Act of  
1940 in United States District Court, Detroit, on February  
16, 1954. These individuals are presently out on bond  
pending an appeal of their conviction.

[redacted] NAT GANLEY,  
is currently active in [redacted] activities  
in the Detroit area.

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[redacted] who has furnished reliable infor-  
mation in the past, advised in July, 1954, that it was his  
belief, at that time, that BERNARD BELLINSON was a member  
of the Communist Party.

CARL WINTER was convicted in United States  
District Court, Southern District of New York, on October  
14, 1949, for a violation of the Smith Act of 1940.

Mrs. BERENIECE BALDWIN, an active District  
#7 Communist Party member from 1943 to 1951 who has testified  
on behalf of the United States Government before the House  
Committee on Un-American Activities; before the Subversive  
Activities Control Board in Washington, D. C. and the Detroit  
Smith Act Trial in December, 1953, advised on February 29,  
1952, that WILLIAM McKIE was a charter member of the  
Communist Party and is often referred to as the "Daddy"  
of the Communist Party in Michigan.

[redacted] advised on September 11, 1955, that  
it was his belief that JOHN STEMPLE was currently active in  
Communist Party affairs in the Toledo, Ohio, area.

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[redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised in 1950 that [redacted] was [redacted] of the [redacted] of the [redacted]

[redacted] who has testified on behalf of the United States Government during the Detroit Smith Act Trial in December, 1953, advised on February 24, 1954, that [redacted] had been making contacts of an underground nature and has recently been described by another CP member as "getting to be a wheel in the underground."

ERNEST GOODMAN defended the Detroit Smith Act Subjects in December, 1953.

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On December 22, 1954, [redacted] advised that it was his belief that Dr. EUGENE MAURICE SHAFERMAN was a current member of the CP.

[redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on January 20, 1955, that JACOB JACOBOWITZ is currently active in the CP and CP front group affairs in the Detroit area.

In view of the highly confidential nature of CSDE 579-S\* and CSDE 570-S\*, extreme care should be exercised in paraphrasing in report form or other forms of correspondence any of the information obtained from these valuable sources.

#### LEADS

All offices receiving a copy of instant letter are requested to review the information contained in GANLEY's diary for the month of June, 1955, and furnish the Detroit Division with any information that may be of assistance in further identifying GANLEY's contacts and further clarifying some of the information contained therein.

Letter to SAC, New York

Re: CP, USA UNDERGROUND OPERATIONS  
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NEW YORK

At New York, New York:

Will ascertain the identity of the individual to whom telephone number GE 6-2854 is listed.

DETROIT

At Detroit, Michigan:

1. Will review all surveillance logs for the month of June, 1955, maintained in Detroit files 100-17226, 100-17226 Sub A and 100-945 in an effort to identify TED, RED, GEORGE (possibly GEORGE from Michigan ANDY), EMIL, ANN, JOE, ALEX and SAM.

2. Detroit will also ascertain the identity of the individual or individuals residing at [redacted] Detroit, Michigan. (See Thursday, June 2, 1955)

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3. Detroit will determine the identity of the individual or individuals residing in the first house on the northeast corner of Collingwood and Broad Streets, Detroit, Michigan. This location may possibly be the residence of Unknown Subject, Wa. Larry, believed operating in District #7, CP Underground. (See Tuesday, June 7, 1955)

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ccs:

8- New York (REGISTERED)  
100- (WALTER BARRY)  
100- (DORIS FINE)  
100- [redacted]  
100- (Jefferson School of  
Social Science)

100- (EAY VEDRO)  
100- (PHIL BART)

100- [redacted]  
100- [redacted]  
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100- (DORIS FINE)  
100- (PHIL BART)

2 - Cleveland (REGISTERED)  
100- CP, USA Under-  
ground Operations  
100- (JOHN STEMPLE)

3 - Detroit  
100-1512 (ERNEST GOODMAN)  
100-24285 (UNSUB, Wa. ABE)  
100-17566 [REDACTED]

100-0 (DR. FNU FRIEDMAN)  
100-24217 (UNSUB, Wa. TED)  
100-20136 (PATTY GANLEY)  
100-15793 (SAUL WELLMAN)  
100-19250 (BERNARD BELLINSON)  
100-24287 (UNSUB, Wa. LARRY)  
100-New (UNSUB, Wa. RED)  
100-24216 (UNSUB, Wa. ANDY  
[GEORGE from Michigan])

100-15887 (JOHN STEMPLE)  
100-New (UNSUB, Wa. EMIL)  
100-8710 (MAX CHAIT)  
100-15777 [REDACTED]  
100-1639 (WILLIAM MCKIE)  
100-15310 (PHIL SCHATZ)  
100-17317 [REDACTED]  
100-24283 (UNSUB, Wa. SAM)  
100-1632 (DR. EUGENE MAURICE  
SHAFERMAN)  
100-14410 (JACOB JACOBOWITZ)  
100-24278 (UNSUB, Wa. JOE)  
100-15420 (CARL WINTER)  
100-New (UNSUB residing at  
[REDACTED]  
Detroit, Michigan)  
100-24454 [REDACTED]  
100-24400 [REDACTED]  
100-9753 (DORIS FINE)  
100-14627 (PHIL BART)  
100-17029 (CP, USA Security  
Measures)  
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[redacted] orally advised on 12/21/55 that he was in contact with PHIL BART, member of the National Administrative Committee, on [redacted]. BART told the informant the following concerning the voluntary surrender of FRED FINE, JAMES JACKSON, and BILL NORMAN. BART told the informant that "they raised money in a very short time to get them out of jail." Most of the money, according to BART, was raised before FINE et al surrendered. BART told the informant that "we were told a week before their surrender to start raising money for them as the decision was reached that they would surrender." Informant noted that BART'S statement indicated to him that BART had no part in the decision for FINE et al to surrender voluntarily and that the people around the National Office had no part in this decision. BART told the informant that the week before FINE et al surrendered "they were occupied by raising money." Concerning WINSTON and GREEN, BART said these two are not in the same situation as the three who surrendered. BART told the informant that there is no point in WINSTON and GREEN surrendering unless they want to go to jail for six to eight years. Informant advised he received the impression from BART that BART knows that WINSTON and GREEN will not immediately surrender. If any of the foregoing information is used in a report or disseminated outside the Bureau, it must be very carefully paraphrased to protect the identity of [redacted]

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- 1-New York [redacted] (704)
- 1-New York (100-96985) (FRED FINE) (19)
- 1-New York (100-18285) (JAMES JACKSON) (19)
- 1-New York (100-50983) (BILL NORMAN) (19)
- 1-New York (100-56579) (PHIL BART) (19)
- 1-New York (100-74560) (FUNDS) (19)
- 1-New York (100) (HENRY WINSTON) (19)
- 1-New York (100) (OIL GREEN) (19)

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[redacted]. Among those present was PHIL BART of the CP National Administrative Committee. Informant advised that during the meeting BART discussed the status of the UE. BART stated the IUE has had a talk with the leaders of the UE namely, ALBERT FITZGERALD, JAMES MATIEN, and others. The discussion appeared to have some about because WALTER BROTHER had a talk with CAREY and criticized him severely for not taking steps "to cop big blocks of the UE" which otherwise might "be gobbled up" by AFL unions, meaning the machinists and a number of others. The CAREY people proposed to FITZGERALD and MATIEN that the whole of the UE come into the IUE on the following conditions:

- 3- Bureau (Registered)
- 3- Newark (100- [redacted]) (Registered)
  - (1- [redacted])
  - (1-100- [redacted]) (JAMES MC LEISH)
- 2- Philadelphia (100- [redacted]) (Registered)
  - (1- 100- [redacted]) (JOE KUZMA)
- 1- NY [redacted] (7-4)
- 1- NY 100-111349 (Cominfil IUE) (7-1)
- 1- NY 100-46847 (JAMES MC LEISH) (7-5)
- 1- NY 100-79024 (ALBERT FITZGERALD) (7-1)
- 1- NY 100-26864 (JAMES MATIEN) (7-1)
- 1- NY 100-89590 (Strategy in Industry) (12-14)
- 1- NY 100-50820 [redacted] (12-15)
- 1- NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) (19)
- 1- NY 100-80634 (Farm Matters) (12-14)

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1. The existing type of organization and department remain in-tact and they merely change their name.

2. The UE treasury be turned over to the IUE.

3. FITZGERALD in turn would be given the Mass. State Chairmanship or Presidency of the union and be a member of the International Executive Board.

4. MATIAS would be made a national representative and also a member of the Board.

5. [ ] would be given some type of job relating to the pension system or some similar type job. The exact position or title could not be recalled by the informant. [ ] would not be a member of the Board.

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BART stated, according to the informant, that the scandal that exists is that the UE rejects this proposition. The Party feels this proposition is a "life saver". The reasons for rejection were not indicated. BART indicated that the job now is to influence the UE to accept this proposition which the Party feels is an excellent one and a way out of the trouble for the UE.

Informant advised that it seemed to him that if the proposal is advanced by CARRY, who wants a big chunk of the UE, that the UE will accept the proposition except for a few "die hards". Informant believes the UE will eventually move along in this direction. Informant advised it appears that the UE is trying "to get off the hook" and the Party wants it done in this manner.

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It was not indicated to the informant how strong the objectors to the proposition are. Informant advised the recent filing of a petition by the Government against the UE will have the effect of impelling the UE into the UE faster and will tend to weaken any objections.

JOE WENNA, who was also present, was indignant that anyone would object to the proposition. JAMES G. WELSH, according to the informant, was not mentioned in the discussion.

Details of the [redacted] [redacted] will be disseminated by letter. If any of the foregoing information is used in a report, or disseminated outside the Bureau, it must be very carefully paraphrased in view of the circumstances under which it was received and in order to protect the identity of [redacted]

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December 22, 1955

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SAC, New York

CP, USA, INTERNAL SECURITY - C; INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950.

Re Bureau memorandum dated December 8, 1955, which requested the New York and other offices receiving copies of this airtel to prepare special prosecutive summary reports by February 15, 1956, on certain Party leaders who probably would be required to register the CP, USA, should the CP, USA fail to register itself under the Internal Security Act of 1950.

The Bureau realizes that excellent prosecutive summary Smith Act reports have been prepared on some of these subjects. In order to simplify the preparation of the special prosecutive summary reports under the Internal Security Act of 1950, it will not be necessary to repeat information under Part I (background data) or Part III (Party Positions Since July, 1945) which has been set forth in a prosecutive summary Smith Act report. Part II (Current Leadership Position) which will contain the principal evidence necessary to establish a conviction under the Internal Security Act of 1950 must be set forth in detail. The reports due February 15, 1956, should contain under Parts I and III any information developed subsequent to the submission of the Smith Act reports.

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*Re Phil Bant*

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On 11/3,4/55 NY 1637-S\* furnished material in the possession of PHILLIP BART, National Organizational Secretary, CP,USA, Included among this material was a receipt for \$2,050 to CELIA LEVY and signed by VICTOR RABINOWITZ.

There was also a three page assignment of several US bonds to CELIA LEVY from the CRC of NY. These four pages are attached to this memo.

Extreme care should be used to protect the highly confidential nature of this source if this material is to be disseminated.

The original negatives of these photographs are being retained in NY 100-56579. -1848

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1 - NY 100-56579 (PHILLIP BART)7-5  
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## OFFICE MEMORANDUM

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-83)

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-89691)

SUBJECT: CP, USA  
DOMESTIC ADMINISTRATION  
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DATE: 11/28/55

On 10/21/55, NY 1317-S\*, who had access to CP National Headquarters, 268 7th Avenue, NYC, was contacted by agents of the NYO.

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Attachments (2) for each copy of this letter

1 - Boston (100- ) (ANNE B. TIMPSON) (RM)

1 - Chicago (61-867) (CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT) (RM)

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1 - Newark (100-2974) (MARTHA STONE) (RM)

1 - Philadelphia (100- ) (JOSEPH ROBERTS) (RM)

1 - Pittsburgh (100- ) (WILLIAM MC KIE) (RM)

1 - Pittsburgh (100- ) (STEVE NELSON) (RM)

1 - San Francisco (97-26) (WILLIAM SCHNEIDERMAN) (RM)

1 - San Francisco (100- ) (OLEA YATES) (RM)

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1 - New York 100-9365 (WILLIAM Z. FOSTER) (7-5)

1 - NY 100-80641 (CP, USA ORGANIZATION) (12-14)

1 - NY 100-98699 (CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT) (7-5)

1 - NY 100-66211 (MARTHA STONE) (7-5)

1 - NY 65-1462 (WILLIAM SCHNEIDERMAN) (7-5)

1 - NY 100-84275 (WILLIAM PATTERSON) (7-2)

1 - NY 100-50806 (GEORGE BLAKE GUARNEY) (7-5)

1 - NY 100-11941 (ANTON KRCHMAREK) (7-5)

1 - NY 100-13545 (ANNE B. TIMPSON) (7-5)

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Informant made available a 2 page document entitled, "Preliminary Memorandum concerning: The W.Z. FOSTER 75th BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION". This memorandum sets out an introduction, the planning and responsibility, and projected activities of a celebration to be held in the early part of 1956 in honor of WILLIAM Z. FOSTER, the National Chairman of the CP, USA.

Attached to the above typewritten document was a one page typewritten document directed "To All Districts" and signed "Comradely, Nat'l Org. Comm."

This document apparently is a rough draft prepared by the CP advising various districts regarding the celebration of FOSTER'S birthday.

Copies of these typewritten documents are attached herewith.

The original photographs of the above information are being attached to the original NY copy of this communication. Negatives may be located in NY File 100-4931-14573.

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- 1 - NY 100-111042 [redacted]
- 1 - NY 100-95704 (DOROTHY BELLELY)
- 1 - NY 100-52711 (ALFRED E. WAGENKNECHT) (7-5)
- 1 - NY 100-96651 (WILLIAM/MC KIE) (7-5)
- 1 - NY 100-125011 (SAM HAMMERSMARK) (7-5)
- ① - NY 100-56575 (~~PHIL BART~~) (19) *H/ra*
- 1 - NY 100-20649 (EDWARD STRONG) (19)
- 1 - NY 100-21421 (ALEXANDER TRACHTENBERG) (19)
- 1 - NY 100-47211 (STEVE NELSON) (7-5)

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Preliminary Memorandum concerning:

The W.Z. FOSTER 75th BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

A. INTRODUCTION

1. On February 25, 1956, Comrade Foster will be 75 years of age.
2. This event is of great significance to the American and world working-class movements in view of Comrade Foster's exemplary role as working-class organizer and theoretician, leader of our Party, and symbol of the unity of and ties between the American working-class and our Party.
3. An appropriate commemoration of this occasion because of its very nature can also rebound fruitfully to the work of the Party in all fields.

B. PERIOD OF ORGANIZED CELEBRATION

1. It is proposed that, apart from preliminary and preparatory activities, the months of January and February, 1956 shall be designated as the Wm. Z. Foster 75th Birthday Anniversary Celebration period.
2. The initial preparatory step should consist of the announcement and discussion of a draft plan of work in connection with the celebration in the NAC (NC) during the month of October, and in all State Committees during the month of November. In this way a full national program can be finalized, and in relation to it, Districts can also prepare local plans. The youth should be urged to develop their own program.

C. PLANNING AND RESPONSIBILITY

1. Immediate steps should be taken to set up an National Celebration Committee, headed by members of the National Committee as they are and become available.

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The committee should also include the leaders of the main Districts, old-timers identified with comrade Foster and other prominent individuals.

(Among those suggested, as immediately available: Lightfoot, Stone, Nelson, Trachtenberg, Schneiderman, Wm. Patterson, Geo. Blake, Krchmarek, Anne B. Timpson, Joe Roberts, Oleta Yates, Dorothy Healey, Saul Wellman, Rose Wortis, Pat Cush, A. Wagenknecht, Bill McKie, Sam Hammersmark, etc.)

2. A committee responsible for operative work should be set up responsible to the NC.

(It is suggested that Phil B, or comparable person head the committee; the committee to include some one of the caliber of Ed. Str.; a representative of the DW; Tractenberg and a rep. from the youth; and two others, assigned by the NC and NY to be practically operative from day to day.)

#### D. PROJECTED ACTIVITIES

(These are suggested forms, not necessarily exhaustive, or listed in order of timing or importance)

1. Issuance of materials and notification of international working-class movement, securing of greetings, etc.
2. Public and other type gatherings during celebration period.
  - a. New York should consider a public form of celebration as principal national celebration, perhaps in form of a public rally or meetings; it should also consider a large, light luncheon, by invitation, to be held on a week-end day.
  - b. The main districts shall consider public district celebrations. For this purpose, a list of speakers from NY should be made available.

- c. According to local situations several, or a series of projects should be undertaken, such as public forums, lectures and book reviews of Foster's works, house parties, etc.
  - d. During the month of February, the National and state committees shall devote a suitable portion of their meetings to a commemoration of Comrade Foster and his contributions.
3. In connection with the celebration period, all districts are urged to launch and conduct local Wm. Z. Foster 75th Anniversary Party Building campaigns, setting district quotes based on local situations.
  4. During the Celebration Period, at least two regular meetings of clubs and Section Committees shall be devoted to a discussion of the Anniversary and Comrade Foster's work.
  5. In New York, it is suggested ~~that the school~~ undertake a special institute during January and February based on Comrade Foster's writings, with the district offering 100 scholarships on the basis of particular selection; and the school to work out its own special progress of activities in re the celebration.
  6. The NAC (NC) and Nat'l Org-Ed Commissions should be responsible for:
    - a. A National Committee Statement on Comrade Foster's Anniversary for publication in the February Political Affairs and the press on the birthday date;
    - b. At least one article in each of the January and February Political Affairs issues by National Party leaders on Comrade Foster (a special Foster issue, the February issue, of Political Affairs might be undertaken).

- c. Biographical and theoretical materials, outlines, etc. should be issued for use in discussions in Party committees and clubs, in the Press, etc.
- d. Utilization of the press (including language) for publicising the celebration. (announcements, interviews, biographical materials, book reviews, reprinting excerpts from Foster's works, columnists, etc.)
- e. Special campaigns on appropriate literature:
- Mass popular biography of Foster, by Jos. North.: This will be available in November, for sale during December, January and February. It is proposed that, in order to price the booklet at 25¢, it be printed in an initial edition of at least 20,000. This will require a nationally led, organized Party campaign.
  - In January: E.
  - In February, Foster's new book: "History of the World Trade Union Movement".
  - General sales of Foster's publications.

To All Districts:

Dear comrades:

This is a reminder with regard to the occasion of the 74th birthday of our National Chairman, Comrade William Z. Foster, which occurs on February 25th. His birthday will be celebrated nationally beginning on that date, and extending to March 11th when there will be held a formal celebration in New York City sponsored by the National and New York Committees and joined in by the Eastern Districts.

It is urged that the various districts consider local plans for the commemoration of the birthday.

1) Messages of greeting to comrade Foster should be sent to the National Office from State Committees and appropriate individuals. Greetings should also be encouraged from regional and section committees as well as clubs.

2) Forms of celebration appropriate to your local situation should be undertaken, including formal ceremonies in committee meetings, public affairs, social affairs at section and club levels etc.

3) In view of the impending publication of his new book, "History of the Three Internationals," and aware of comrade Foster's personal concern over its sale and distribution, we strongly recommend that greetings from various bodies to him include specific pledges in this regard.

4) It is expected that the districts, and especially the East Coast districts undertake the necessary preparations to participate with sizable delegations in the planned March 11 celebration.

Comradely,

Nat'l Org. Comm.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
290 Broadway  
New York 7, New York

In Reply, Please Refer to  
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December 16, 1955

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Mr. [redacted], Agent  
New York Telephone Company  
140 West Street  
New York 7, New York

Dear Mr. Braune:

In connection with an official investigation being conducted by this office, it is requested that you make available all background information which your files might contain concerning:

GR 3-4465

Your cooperation in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours, 10 11 55

*James J. Kelly*

JAMES J. KELLY  
Special Agent in Charge

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM \* \* \* \* UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-69)  
FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (100-18953)  
SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY - USA  
ORGANIZATION  
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

DATE: 12-21-55

Care should be used in reporting the following information in order to protect the identity of the informant.

CG 5824-S, who has furnished reliable information in the past, orally and by means of a dictaphone memo belt furnished the following information to SA JOHN E. KEATING on December 8, 1955. The dictaphone memo belt was transcribed by Steno KATHERINE WIERSMA, and is located in Chicago file A)134-46-1864.

Surrender of Communist Fugitives

CG 5824-S advised that he learned that the surrender of the Communist fugitives, FRED FINE, WILLIAM NORMAN MARRON and JAMES JACKSON, was worked out in the highest level of leadership of the Communist Party. CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT and PHIL BART, members of the National Administrative Committee of the Communist Party, told CG 5824-S that EUGENE DENNIS and WILLIAM Z. FOSTER were both involved in these discussions. Both CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT and WILLIAM Z. FOSTER told CG 5824-S, about two hours before JAMES JACKSON surrendered, that there would be additional surprises.

The informant learned, however, that EUGENE DENNIS was worried that these surrenders may have taken place a little too early, and that the dates of surrender were not properly spaced. The Party wanted to avoid involving these persons who surrendered in the Smith Act case of GEORGE BLAKE CHARNEY, MARRON, BACHRACH and ALEXANDER TRACHTENBERG. The Party felt, particularly TRACHTENBERG, that it had a good case in the retrial of CHARNEY and TRACHTENBERG, and that this retrial would be hurt, would be less favorable to the Party, if the issues will also involve fugitives and other persons who were in hiding for SEARCHED INDEXED NUMBER OF YEARS

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or will involve persons such as SID STEIN, who was arrested while in hiding in the underground.

CG 5824-S also learned in talking with members of the National Administrative Committee of the Communist Party in New York City during the period from December 1 through 8, 1955, that if some arrangements could be made, as they expressed themselves, with the Government whereby the added sentences given to ROBERT THOMPSON and GUS HALL could be removed, the other fugitives, GIL GREEN and HENRY WINSTON, would also surrender. In any case, the very top echelons of the Communist Party are now giving thought to the possibility of surrendering these two persons also.

Reasons for the Surrender  
of the Communist Fugitives

CG 5824-S advised that the Communist Party based the surrender of the Communist fugitives on political consideration. While the Party does not discard the possibility of additional arrests under the Smith Act and, in fact, is preparing for additional arrests, they feel that some serious mistakes were made over the last four-year period. The Party now believes that instead of taking a large portion of the Party into an underground status or instead of liquidating a large portion of the Party as was done in the past, that the Party should try to retain legality and merely build a skeleton apparatus for emergencies. The Party leadership at this time feels that it should take the consequences of arrests, if they occur, and in the meantime fight against the anti-Communist laws on a legislative or on a political basis.

The Party relates the entire situation to the international arena and hopes that certain international changes, as well as electoral changes in this country, will influence the status of the Communist Party.

In the meantime, the Party leadership is gloating about the surrender of FINE, MARFON and JACKSON. They state that the surrender was carried out in the most disciplined fashion and compared it to the disciplined action of the Communist Party during the first Smith Act trial in New York City.

DIRECTOR, FBI

RE: COMMUNIST PARTY - USA  
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(1 - 100-3-74)(COMPROS)

(1 - 100-3-98)(COMFUGS)

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(1 - 100-80641)(CP - USA, Organization)

(1 - 100-96985)(CP - USA, Underground Operations)

(1 - 100-89691)(CP - USA, Domestic Administration Issues)

(1 - 100-81752)(COMPROS)

(1 - 100-105699)(COMFUGS)

(1 - 100-41932)(MARION BACHRACH)

~~(1 - 100-56579)(PHIL BART)~~

(1 - 100-50806)(GEORGE BLAKE CHARNEY)

(1 - 100-8057)(EUGENE DENNIS)

(1 - 100-89816)(FRED FINE)

(1 - 100-9365)(WILLIAM Z. FOSTER)

(1 - 100-13472)(GIL GREEN)

(1 - 100- ) (WILLIAM NORMAN MARRON)

(1 - 100- ) (JAMES JACKSON)

(1 - 100-21421)(ALEXANDER TRACHTENBERG)

6 - Chicago (100-18953)

(1 - A/134-46-1864a)

(1 - 61-867)(CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT)

(1 - 100-24319)(COMFUGS)

(1 - 100-3952)(GIL GREEN)

(1 - 100-18001)(FRED FINE)

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SAC, CHICAGO (100-17769)

December 21, 1955

SA ROBERT E. BURKE

COMMUNIST PARTY, USA -  
FUNDS  
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Care should be used in reporting the following information in order to protect the identity of the informant.

CG 6031-S\*, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on December 13, 1955, that DORIS FINE contacted BOB KELLY at Colfax 2421, Minneapolis, Minnesota, and advised him that she had just spoken to PHIL BART concerning the bail fund for FRED FINE, JAMES JACKSON, and WILLIAM MARRON. She stated that BART had asked her to call KELLY so as to request him to send whatever money was available to him for the purpose of bail for these individuals and to send the same in the form of a cashier's check made out in the name of one of the former Comfug's wife. The informant advised that after KELLY suggested making it out in the name of DORIS FINE, DORIS stated that he should make it out in the name of Mrs. ESTHER JACKSON instead. The informant also advised that at the end of the conversation between these two individuals, DORIS FINE asked KELLY how the bail fund was going, to which he responded "fine". The informant was unable to furnish any further information regarding the above.

5 - New York (REGISTERED)  
(1 - 100- ~~Compro~~)  
(1 - 100- ~~PHIL BART~~)  
(1 - 100- JAMES JACKSON)  
(1 - 100- ESTHER JACKSON)  
(1 - 100-74560 CP, USA - Funds)  
1 - Minneapolis (REGISTERED) (100- BOB KELLY)  
1 - Chicago 100-14554 (DORIS FINE)  
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SAC, NEW YORK (100-12959)

12/22/55

SA RICHARD A. DONAVAN

CONSTANCE BART  
IS - C

On 12/7/55, NY 1637-S\* furnished material in the possession of PHIL and CONNIE BART. Included among this material are the attached photographic copies of the following documents: *100-12959-447*

1. A letter to the Bureau of Vital Statistics at Tallahassee, Florida from CONNIE BART requesting the issuance of her birth certificate.
2. Letter from the Florida State Board of Health, Jacksonville, Florida, dated 11/30/55, advising CONNIE BART that they were unable to locate a birth certificate for her.
3. A bank statement from the National City Bank of New York for the account of CONNIE BART reflecting a balance of \$521.37 on 2/27/50.
4. A bank statement from the National City Bank of New York from the account of CONNIE BART reflecting a balance of \$785.95 on 11/1/50.

Included in this photograph is a cancelled check payable to cash in the amount of \$1500.00 and signed by CONNIE BART. This check is dated 11/1/50.

If this material is to be disseminated, extreme care should be used to protect the identity of the informant.

Attachments (4)

① - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART)(#19)

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-23774)

12/22/55

SA RICHARD A. DONAVAN

JOHN WILLIAMSON  
IS - C

On 11/29/55, NY 1637-S\* furnished photographs of material in the possession of PHIL and CONNIE BART, national functionaries in the office of the CP, USA.

Included among this material was a two page typewritten letter dated 11/17/55, unsigned, but apparently from MAE WILLIAMSON, wife of JOHN WILLIAMSON, deported Smith Act subject. This letter was contained in an envelope addressed to Mr. and Mrs. BART, 2415 Newkirk Avenue, Brooklyn, NY, and bearing a return address of "M. WILLIAMSON, care of DOYLE, 61 Hazlewell Road, London, England". Photographs of this letter and the envelope, together with a mimeographed "~~speech~~ resolution", which was enclosed in this letter, are attached.

This letter discusses JOHN WILLIAMSON'S activities in the US Affairs Committee of the CP in England. It also discusses some of the WILLIAMSON'S personal matters. The mimeographed resolution is concerned with "Democratic Right in the USA". This resolution supports the efforts of singer PAUL ROBESON to obtain a passport to visit Scotland, and also expresses solidarity with the United Auto Workers and the Mine, Mill, and Smelter Workers Union, who are both under "Government attack".

If this material is to be disseminated, extreme care should be used in protecting the identity of the informant.

Attachments (4)

- 1 - NY 100-94820 (#12-16)
- ① - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART)(#19)
- 1 - NY 100-12959 (CONNIE BART)(#19)

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## Office Memorandum UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-56579)

FROM : SA ROBERT J. LAWSON

SUBJECT: PHIL BART, was  
IS - C

DATE: 12/29/55

On 11/3,4/55, NY 1637-S\* furnished this office certain telephone numbers in the possession of PHIL and CONNIE BART.

On 6/3/55, NY 694-S\*, who has furnished reliable information in the past, stated that PHIL BART was acting as National Organizational Secretary of the CP, USA.

NK 2010-S\*, who is in a position to furnish reliable information, on 5/20/55, advised that CONNIE BART had been in the CP Underground apparatus approximately four years.

[redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on 10/25/55, that CONNIE BART was employed full time in connection with activities of the Civil Rights Congress. b7D

One of the phone numbers furnished by NY 1437-S\* on 11/3,4/55, was listed as follows: "SCALES J CY 3-8214". A telephone check on 12/9/55, revealed that CY 3-8214 was special non published number listed to one [redacted] Bronx, NY. However, this number on 9/6/55, had been changed to RIVERSIDE 9-5237 which in turn was listed to Mrs. GLADYS SCALES, 448 Central Park West, NYC. b6 b7C

Another phone number furnished by NY 1637-S\* on 11/3,4/55, was "VI 6-2985", determined through a telephone check to be listed to [redacted] [redacted] Richmond Hill, NY.

1-NY 100-12959 (CONNIE BART) (19)  
 1-NY 100-91418 (JUNIUS SCALES) (7-5)  
 1-NY 100-101400 (GLADYS SCALES) (7-5)  
 1-NY 100- [redacted] (20-10)  
 1-NY 100- [redacted] (20-13)  
 1-NY 100-68934 (JEAN SMITH) (12-11)

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*R. J. Lawson*

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NY 100-56579

Another phone number furnished by NY 1637-S\* on 11/3,4/55, was "JEAN DE 2-9424" which a telephone check revealed, is listed to Mrs. JEAN SMITH, 97 Neptune Avenue, Brooklyn.

In event any of foregoing information is to be disseminated outside of Bureau, care should be taken to protect identity of source.

Original negatives of information furnished by NY 1637-S\* are being maintained as exhibits in 100-56579-1B-1348



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

290 Broadway  
New York 7, New York

~~PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL~~

December 29, 1955

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Mr. , Agent  
New York Telephone Company  
140 West Street  
New York 7, New York

Dear Mr. Braune:

In connection with an official investigation being conducted by this office, it is requested that you make available all background information which your files might contain concerning:

GR 3-4465

Your cooperation in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

JAMES J. KELLY  
Special Agent in Charge

CVP:MAC  
100-56579

*JJK*  
100-56579-1442



SAC, NEW YORK (97-169) (7-2)

12/30/55

RICHARD A. DONAVAN, SA

"DAILY WORKER"  
IS-C

On 12/14/55, NY 1637-S\* furnished this office material in the possession of PHIL and CONNIE BART.

On 6/3/55, NY 694-S\*, who has furnished reliable information in the past, stated that PHIL BART was National Organizational Secretary of the CP, USA.

NK 2010-S\*, who is in a position to furnish reliable information, advised on 5/20/55, that CONNIE BART had been a national figure in the CP underground for over four years. b7D

[redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on 10/25/55, that CONNIE BART was employed full-time in connection with the activities of the Civil Rights Congress.

Included among the material furnished by NY 1637-S\* was a one page typewritten "Memo on Press Finances." This memo deals in detail with the serious indebtedness of the "Daily Worker". There was also attached to this Memo on Press Finances a typewritten note on the letterhead of the F. & D. Printing Co., Inc, addressed to MAC, requesting partial payment on a total bill of \$29,892.50. Both of these documents are attached.

In the event this material is disseminated, extreme care should be used to protect the identity of the informant. The original negatives of this material are located in the 1B section of 100-56579. 1B49

- 1 - New York (100-56579) (PHIL BART) (19)
- 1 - New York (100-12959) (CONNIE BART) (19)
- 1 - New York (97-169) (7-2)

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-74560) (19)

12/30/55

RICHARD A. DONAVAN, SA

CP, USA FUNDS  
IS-C

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Included among the material furnished by NY 1637-S\* was a piece of paper containing the notation "11 Months Figures (They do not include anything turned in at the conference)

Dues - 126,001  
Assmt - 1,708  
Recr - 119 "

It is believed that these figures represent an 11 month registration for 1955. It is believed that the abbreviation "Recr" stands for recruits.

In the event this material is disseminated, extreme care should be used to protect the identity of the informant. The original negatives of this material are located in the 1B section of 100-56579-1849

- ① - New York (100-56579) (PHIL BART) (19)
- 1 - New York (100-12959) (CONNIE BART) (19)
- 1 - New York (100-74560) (19)

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SAC, INDIANAPOLIS (61-55)

12/30/55

*gpc* SAC, NEW YORK (100-56579)

*PHILIP BART*  
IS-C; SA OF 1940

Re your let 11/30/55.

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It is requested that [redacted] a discontinued informant of the Indianapolis Office) be interviewed and a statement taken from him as to what he can testify to concerning PHIL BART, top functionary of the NYO. NY is particularly interested in information concerning BART's positions of leadership in the CP, USA.

A prosecutive summary is presently being prepared on the subject, so it is requested that this matter be given expeditious handling.

2 - Indianapolis (61-55) (RM)  
3 - New York (100-56579)

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DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3284)

12/30/55

*JJ* SAC, NEW YORK (100-56579)

PHILIP BART  
*FX* SA OF 1940

Re Bulet 12/8/55, captioned "CP, USA; IS-C and ISA  
OF 1950."

Referenced letter instructs that a special prosecutive summary of the report be prepared on PHIL BART for submission to the Bureau by 2/15/56. The Bureau has been furnished by the Philadelphia Office under the SA OF 1940 captioned prosecutive summaries in this case dated 7/13/51, 2/1/52, 12/10/52, 12/8/53, 6/3/54, 10/28/54, 4/14/55, and 6/24/55.

Unless advised to the contrary by the Bureau, NY will only furnish a supplementary prosecutive report covering the period 6/2/55, to the present, for submission to the Bureau by 2/15/56.

2 - Bureau (100-3284) (RM)  
① - New York (100-56579)

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-50090) (7-5)

12/30/55

RICHARD A. DONAVAN, SA

SIDNEY STEINBERG  
IS-C; SA OF 1940

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NK 2010-S\*, who is in a position to furnish reliable information, advised on 5/20/55, that CONNIE BART had been a national figure in the CP underground for over four years.

[redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on 10/25/55, that CONNIE BART was employed full-time in connection with the activities of the Civil Rights Congress. b7D

Included among the material furnished by NY 1637-S\* was an eight page typewritten brochure protesting the arrest and bail of SIDNEY STEINBERG and ROBERT THOMPSON. This document is possibly a printer's proof. Copies of this brochure are attached for the STEINBERG and THOMPSON files.

In the event this material is disseminated, extreme care should be used to protect the identity of the informant. The original negatives of this material are located in the LB section of 100-56579-1B49

- 1 - New York (100-27452) (ROBERT THOMPSON) (7-5)
- ① - New York (100-56579) (PHIL BART) (19)
- 1 - New York (100-12959) (CONNIE BART) (19)
- 1 - New York (100-50090) (7-5)

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-56579) (19)

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The phone numbers together with the identity of the subscribers are listed as follows:

OL 5-2480

BERNARD LEWIT  
2855 Parker Ave.  
Brooklyn  
100-102448

AU 3-4825

Mrs. LOUISE T. PATTERSON  
409 Edgecombe Ave.  
NYC  
100-24624

MO 6-0902

WILLIAM ALBERTSON  
430 West 119th St.  
NYC  
65-5604

- 1 - New York (100-12959) (CONNIE BART)
- 1 - New York (100-102448) (BERNARD LEWIT)
- 1 - New York (100-24624) (Mrs. LOUISE T. PATTERSON)
- 1 - New York (65-5604) (WILLIAM ALBERTSON)
- 1 - New York (100-100892)
- 1 - New York (100-125457) [redacted]
- 1 - New York ( )
- 1 - New York (100-9364) (JAMES W. FORD)
- 1 - New York (100-46725) (ARNOLD H. SUNDEEN)
- 1 - New York (100-65333) (LOUIS SECUNDY)
- 1 - New York (100-56579) (19)

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MEMO TO SAC, NEW YORK  
NY 100-56579

12/30/55

RE 4-2189

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FO 7-9344

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Bronx  
100-125457

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UL 6-3839

[REDACTED]

Brooklyn

EN 9-1174

JAMES W. FORD  
21 East 109th St.  
100-9364

UL 3-7761

ARNOLD H. SUNDEEN  
1569 48th St.  
Brooklyn  
100-46725

EU 7-3238

LOUIS SECUNDY  
530 East 22nd St.  
Brooklyn  
100-65333

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-16785) (19)

12/30/55

RICHARD A. DONAVAN, SA

JAMES E. JACKSON  
IS-C; SA OF 1940

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Included among the material furnished by NY 1637-S\* was a mimeograph copy of a statement related by JACKSON to the Federal Courthouse, NYC, on 12/2/55, and a mimeograph letter from ESTHER JACKSON requesting donations for JACKSON's bail. Both of these documents are attached.

In the event this material is disseminated, extreme care should be used to protect the identity of the informant. The original negatives of this material are located in the 1B section of 100-56579. 1B 49

- ① - New York (100-56579) (PHIL BART) (19)
- 1 - New York (100-12959) (CONNIE BART) (19)
- 1 - New York (100-16785) (19)

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SAC, New York

*R. P. Albright*

COMMUNIST PARTY, USA  
 INTERNAL SECURITY - C  
 INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950

Rebulet December 8, 1955, and Buairtel December 22, 1955, directed to New York Office with copies to other offices receiving this communication, which carried specific instructions relative to the preparation and submission of special prosecutive summary reports by February 15, 1956. The Department has advised that a decision of the Supreme Court may well be forthcoming within the near future, possibly as early as January 1956" and has requested at the earliest possible date the evidence available to establish the leadership positions of the individuals who could be required to register the Communist Party, USA, in the event it failed to register itself within the prescribed period be furnished to the Department. In view of this request from the Department you are instructed to submit the special prosecutive summary reports to reach the Bureau no later than January 16, 1956, instead of February 15, 1956. The New York Office should closely follow the developments of the national committee meeting of the Communist Party, USA, scheduled to begin January 3, 1956, as this meeting might clearly establish the identities of the top leaders of the Communist Party, USA, who will be responsible for the principal activities of the Communist Party, USA, for the immediate period ahead. Efforts should be made to obtain as much admissible evidence as possible in this connection. This matter should be given preferred attention and close supervision. The Bureau expects this deadline to be met. Supplemental prosecutive summary reports will, of course, be necessary to prove that the individuals occupied the leadership positions after the Internal Security Act of 1950 becomes effective against them.

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